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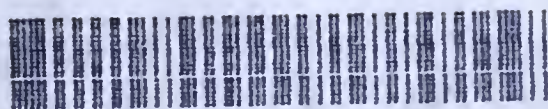
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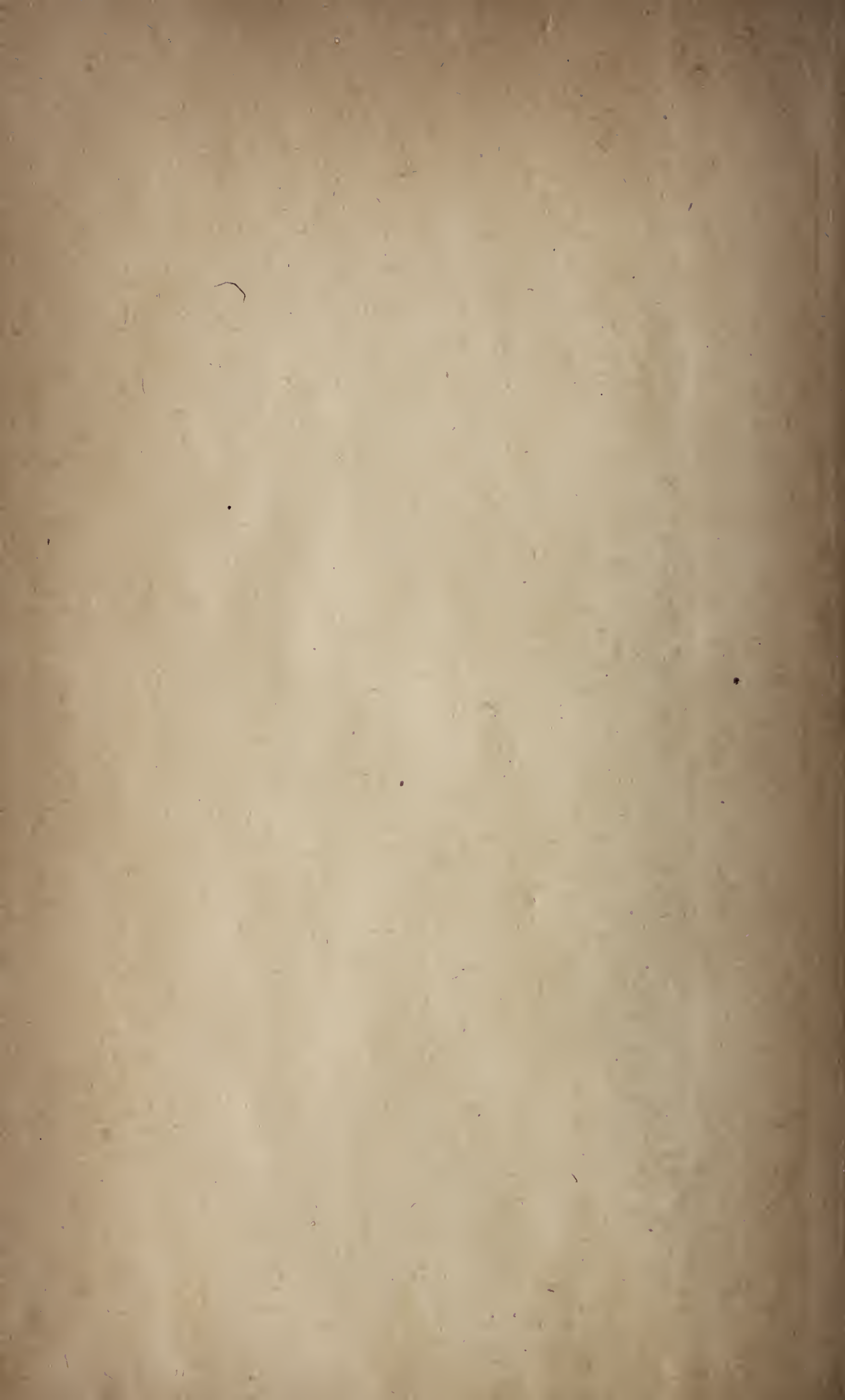






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GRAND LODGE OF PENNSYLVANIA

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ABSTRACT OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

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OF THE

MOST ANCIENT AND HONORABLE FRATERNITY

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DURING THE YEAR A.D. 1904—A.L. 5904

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*R. W. Grand Master,  
1904-1905.*



# Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, January 14, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904.

### PRESENT:

Bro. GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR.	{	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master, Acting R. W. Grand Master.</i>
" JAMES M. LAMBERTON . .	{	<i>Acting R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
" CHARLES M. SWAIN . .	{	<i>R. W. Junior Grand Warden, Acting R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
" MATTHEW M. MACMILLAN	{	<i>Acting R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
" THOMAS R. PATTON . . .		<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
" WILLIAM A. SINN . . .		<i>R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
" JOHN A. PERRY . . . .		<i>Deputy Grand Secretary.</i>
" WILLIAM J. KELLY . . .	{	<i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
" GEORGE E. WAGNER . . .		
" EDGAR A. TENNIS . . .		
" THADDEUS S. ADLE . . .	{	<i>D. D. Grand Masters.</i>
" MATTHEW M. MACMILLAN		
" CHARLES H. BOND . . .	{	<i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
" GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN, D.D. . . . .		
" FRANK B. LYNCH, D.D. .		
" JOHN P. W. BLATTEN- BERGER, D.D. . . . .		
" SAMUEL P. KELLY . . .		

Bro. JOHN L. KINSEY . . .	<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
“ HIBBERT P. JOHN . . .	<i>Junior Grand Deacon.</i>
“ ALFRED E. BURNAFORD .	} <i>Grand Stewards.</i>
“ GEORGE J. VANDEGRIFT .	
“ GEORGE B. WELLS . . .	<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
“ JOHN O'DONNELL . . .	<i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
“ CHARLES S. BAIR . . .	<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
“ SAMUEL W. WRAY . . .	<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

Thirty-nine Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in due form at 12 o'clock 35 minutes P.M.

The Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother JAMES W. BROWN having been announced, was admitted and took his station.



## In Memoriam.

Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother JAMES W. BROWN announced that Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother CONRAD B. DAY, of Lodge No. 52, died at his residence in this city, on the 11th day of January, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904.

The Masonic Burial Service was then performed.

Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM J. KELLY addressed Grand Lodge as follows :

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER AND BRETH-  
REN :

The ceremonies just concluded in commemoration of Past Grand Master DAY bring to me peculiar sadness, owing to my close relations with him, both personal and official. Having been requested by you to say a word at this time, I cannot refrain from doing so, and yet it is a task made harder by the fact of the loss that I personally feel in his death.

CONRAD B. DAY was born in the district of Kensington, in the northeastern section of Philadelphia, a location noted for its ruggedness and general old-fashioned honesty. It has certainly produced a number of men who have distinguished themselves in the affairs of our city chiefly by their own efforts. Looking back over the field of those who have come to prominence

in our midst whose advent into the world was made in that section, it would almost impress you that there was something either in the air of that district or its situation that gave to them a determination to succeed and an integrity to maintain their positions straight through.

At an early age Brother DAY, like many more of us, was launched upon the world to meet and face it and work out his destiny. He was placed with the firm of Wilstach & Co., and commenced his apprenticeship there by sweeping out the store. In the doing of that he started to sweep it out well, and that idea seems to have followed through all his life, to do that which he was instructed to do, well. I can imagine his practical mind as he appeared in that store to be trained for the long life that was before him standing on the ground at the foot of a long ladder without even having one rung in his favor. Looking up, he could see on one side of the ladder the word, painted in plain letters, LABOR, and on the other side SUCCESS, and he seems to have taken up the challenge and followed it indefatigably until he reached SUCCESS. He was entirely self-made, and those who are present, of which I have no doubt there are many, who had the same circumstances to meet in their lives, can conceive of the courage necessary to look forward to the end if they intended to be successful, and to have the thought go through their brain of the long, arduous struggle to achieve their purpose and to maintain their integrity in a world such as ours under the temptations so many and so great.



He continued with that firm until he finally became the owner of the store, and further maintained the confidence of Mr. Wilstach, which confidence was also impressed upon Mrs. Wilstach, his wife, who continued Mr. DAY in the management of her affairs even until her death. His success in such management was marvellous, and I think I am correct in saying that I have had the assurance that he increased the holdings of Mr. Wilstach six times over after his death and before the death of his wife. In her will she also made him one of the executors and bequeathed to him quite a handsome sum in testimony of his devotion to her interests and as a somewhat substantial reward for the labor he had devoted to his task.

As Grand Master most of us know his history; as a member of the Committee on Finance both before and since he held the exalted station of Grand Master those of us who have had business before that Committee will remember his exactness in all details required to keep the accounts straight. Personally as Chairman of the Committee on Temple, which had perhaps the largest expenditure in their charge of any department of our Grand Lodge, I felt him to be conservative to the extreme, but, clear, fair, and just in all his dealings with me on behalf of that Committee.

As a citizen he was active in the affairs of the State and his city, and was several times made a candidate of his party for high office. He was a Democrat in politics, but his Democracy would be well described in my judgment by WILLIAM ALLEN, once

given in the United States Senate. "Democracy," said Mr. Allen, "is a sentiment not to be appalled, corrupted, or compromised. It knows no baseness; it cowers to no danger; it oppresses no weakness. Fearless, generous, and humane, it rebukes the arrogant, cherishes honor, and sympathizes with the humble. It asks nothing but what it concedes; it concedes nothing but what it demands. Destructive only of despotism, it is the conservator of liberty, labor, and property. It is the sentiment of freedom, of equal rights, of equal obligations. It is the law of nature pervading the law of the land. The stupid, the selfish, the base in spirit, may denounce it as a vulgar thing, but in the history of our race the democratic principle has developed the highest moral and intellectual attributes of our nature."

Such was the ideal set up by our deceased Brother as his appreciation of Democracy, and so far as he was able he realized it to the full.

I have been impressed for some time that the angel of death was hovering over Brother DAY, and yet when the announcement of his demise reached me I was shocked beyond measure, for only at the last meeting of our Grand Lodge, held on the 28th of December, he was with us and seemed to be quite active and alert.

I am aware, Right Worshipful Grand Master, that the time is extremely limited for eulogy at this time, and hence I refrain from imposing upon you longer than is absolutely necessary to give brief expression of my thoughts regarding him.



Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER addressed Grand Lodge as follows:

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER AND BRETH-  
REN OF THE GRAND LODGE:

My first acquaintance with Past Grand Master Brother CONRAD B. DAY dates back to the spring of the year 1864, about forty years ago. At that time, a youth of twenty-one years, I desired to become a Mason, and petitioned Harmony Lodge, No. 52, for initiation and membership, in the usual way. My petition was referred to a committee, the chairman of which was Brother DAY. At that time I was a member of the army and was temporarily at home on account of wounds received in battle. As I had no place of business, it was found to be more convenient for me to call on the committee rather than have them call on me. One of my recommenders, Brother SAMUEL H. RITTER, the present Secretary of the Lodge, accompanied me to Brother DAY's establishment and introduced me. That acquaintance ripened into friendship which continued through all the subsequent years.

Brother DAY was at that time the Treasurer of the Lodge and continued to be for many years, until he voluntarily declined further service. During a portion of this period I was Secretary, and was thereby thrown into constant contact with him, which but served to increase my respect and confidence in his integrity and ability.

When Brother DAY was first elected Treasurer the Lodge was without an invested fund. He labored to establish one and with such success that there were constant accretions to its amount, until at the present time it amounts to quite a tidy sum.

Within a short time I met Brother DAY in another branch of the Masonic Fraternity, of which he became the principal officer, when he appointed me to my first Masonic work and gave me my first taste for floor work which has continued until this day.

Later I met him as a co-laborer on the Committee on Finance of the Grand Lodge, where we served together for a long time. These personal matters are introduced by me so that you may know how close and intimate our relations have been and what opportunities I have had of judging him and his work and to show you why I so keenly feel his loss. Brother DAY, in all stations to which he was called from the time of his service as an Entered Apprentice Mason until he reached the highest position in the Craft, that of Grand Master, was faithful, zealous and diligent in the performance of all duties that fell to him, and the Fraternity has great reason to mourn his departure.

Let us forever hold his memory precious.

Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON, Past Master of Lodge No. 21, addressed Grand Lodge as follows:



“For tho’ from out this bourne of Time and Place  
 The flood may bear me far,  
 I hope to meet my Pilot face to face  
 When I have crost the bar.”

Such, I doubt not, was the hope of the distinguished Brother whose unexpected and lamented death has called us together.

Sorely stricken is this old Grand Lodge. Three times within the last nine months has she been called upon to mourn for three of those whom we are accustomed to regard as the Fathers. Three times has the summons come, which no Brother may refuse to obey, if he would, to lay down the working-tools in this Terrestrial Lodge, and enter into the eternal refreshment in the Celestial Lodge on high, which is prepared for those who have wrought faithfully.

In the death of Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother CONRAD B. DAY, this Grand Lodge has met with a great loss. For more than forty years he has been active in its affairs; and while his administration as Grand Master was marked by firmness and decision, and the utmost loyalty to the Ancient Landmarks of the Craft and the traditions of this Grand Lodge, I presume his greatest service was as a member and Chairman of the Committee on Finance.

In the State, Brother DAY was a dutiful citizen. A very successful business man, he did not begrudge a part of his time to the service of his fellow-men, and he served faithfully in a public capacity.

He was my father's friend, and I was glad to have him as a friend of mine, and I mourn for his departure. I regret that I am not able to pay a more adequate tribute to his memory. A few minutes before Grand Lodge was opened I was asked to speak, and I do so gladly, that I may, even in this imperfect way, express my sorrow at his death.

Holy Scripture tells us that "the end of all things is at hand;" my Brethren, let us try to realize, with the poet,

"Even now the dawn is breaking,  
Soon the night of time shall cease,  
And, in God's own likeness waking,  
Man shall know eternal peace."

Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother EDGAR A. TENNIS addressed Grand Lodge as follows :

That this Grand Lodge must suffer the loss of another Past Grand Master, the third within a year, is most unusual and unfortunate. With our jewels still draped in memory of our Senior Past Grand Master we doubly mourn the ending of a life which for half a century has been a conspicuous one in our Fraternity and by reason of which his death is to our Grand Lodge a real bereavement; and we can best prove this by emphasizing his services to the Craft, his able administration of the business of Grand Lodge, his fidelity to the Landmarks of Freemasonry, and the wise performance of the duties devolved on him by its repeated confidence and commendation.



He understood the principles of jurisprudence, which kept alive in rigorous action the faith in the eternal Landmarks of Freemasonry. His Masonic convictions in support and defence of these principles were always expressed with firmness that gave to his deliberate opinions an effective force.

I regard the death of Past Grand Master DAY a personal loss, since I owe my first appointment as District Deputy Grand Master to him, in addition to wise counsel and fraternal encouragement during the years of our acquaintance.

We shall miss the cordiality and sincerity of his manner and his fraternal grasp. His loss will be felt in our councils and particularly in the large financial interests of Grand Lodge, where he was quick to discern, wise in consideration, prompt and judicious.

Let us ever cherish and honor his memory and emulate his virtues.

Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother JAMES W. BROWN addressed Grand Lodge as follows, and requested Brother AZARIAH W. HOOPES, Past Master of Lodge No. 52, to prepare and present to Grand Lodge an In Memoriam of our late Right Worshipful Past Grand Master, Brother CONRAD B. DAY :

I wish to add a word to what has already been spoken in relation to the death of Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother CONRAD B. DAY, to express my personal sorrow and regret for his loss.

I have known Brother DAY for many years, and have been impressed with his devotion to the interests of this Grand Lodge during the time of my association with him. I saw him in December last, and as he had told me he had been threatened with a serious trouble, I observed him with much interest, and being impressed by his appearance of health and strength, I felt satisfied there was no danger of his breaking down in the near future. It was therefore a great shock to me when I received the announcement of his death. I regret that the first time I preside over a Communication of Grand Lodge after my installation as Grand Master, should be so sorrowful an occasion.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 1 o'clock 25 minutes P.M.

*William A. Sinn*  
*Grand Secretary.*



# Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, March 2, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904.

### PRESENT:

Bro. JAMES W. BROWN . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
“ GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
“ GEORGE B. ORLADY . . .	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
“ CHARLES M. SWAIN . . .	<i>R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
“ THOMAS R. PATTON . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ WILLIAM A. SINN . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ JOHN A. PERRY . . .	<i>Deputy Grand Secretary.</i>
“ MATTHIAS H. HENDERSON . . .	} <i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
“ WILLIAM J. KELLY . . .	
“ GEORGE E. WAGNER . . .	
“ EDGAR A. TENNIS . . .	
“ JOHN W. LANSINGER . . .	} <i>D. D. Grand Masters.</i>
“ WILLIAM L. GORGAS . . .	
“ SAMUEL M. GOODYEAR . . .	
“ GEORGE H. SHIRK . . .	
“ DAVID H. WEAVER . . .	
“ ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . .	
“ WILLIAM M. SEMPLE . . .	
“ JOHN J. HITTLE . . .	
“ MATTHEW M. MACMILLAN . . .	
“ WILLIAM D. WHITE . . .	
“ THOMAS F. WELLS . . .	

Bro. WILLIAM J. DAY . . . . .	}	
" JAMES WILSON PIATT . . . . .		
" JAMES A. PUGH . . . . .		
" EZRA C. DOTY . . . . .		
" WILSON I. FLEMING . . . . .		
" DAVID A. SAWDEY . . . . .		
" ADRIAN W. MCCOY . . . . .		
" WILLIAM B. MEREDITH . . . . .		<i>D. D. Grand Masters.</i>
" JAMES W. MCDOWELL . . . . .		
" JOHN S. SELL . . . . .		
" GEORGE H. QUAILL . . . . .		
" JAMES HARRIS MUSSINA . . . . .		
" JOHN W. FARNSWORTH . . . . .		
" JOHN D. GOFF . . . . .		
" JOHN J. JONES . . . . .		
" CHARLES H. BOND . . . . .	}	<i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
" SAMUEL P. KELLY . . . . .		
" GEORGE B. WELLS . . . . .		<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
" SIMON B. CAMERON . . . . .		<i>Junior Grand Deacon.</i>
" ALFRED E. BURNAFORD . . . . .	}	<i>Grand Stewards.</i>
" WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS . . . . .		
" WILLIAM J. DIEHL . . . . .		<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" GEORGE J. VANDEGRIFT . . . . .		<i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
" CHARLES S. BAIR . . . . .		<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" SAMUEL W. WRAY . . . . .		<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

One hundred and sixty-three Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 7 o'clock P.M.

Copies of proposed By-Laws and copies of proposed Amendments to By-Laws were received from a number of Lodges and referred to the Committee on By-Laws.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

The Committee on Appeals made the following report, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted :



PHILADELPHIA, March 2, 1904, A.L. 5904.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge :*

In the matter of the application of Lodge No. — to remove the expulsion of and restore to good Masonic standing A. L. W., late a member of that Lodge, who was expelled June 25, 1901, for gross unmasonic conduct, the Committee on Appeals respectfully report :

The offence for which Mr. W. was expelled was a disgraceful affair, an exhibition of a debased condition and a low state of morals, particulars of which are fully set forth in the reply received from Lodge No. — in answer to the resolution of inquiry from Grand Lodge.

While he was not tried and convicted under the common law, the fact of his having given a false name when arrested and forfeiting an amount of money he placed with the mayor of the city for his appearance for trial we regard as his own conviction, which fully justified the action of the Lodge.

The Committee has given the application of the Lodge careful consideration ; they are of the opinion that this Grand Lodge should not give its consent to relieve the offender of a well-deserved punishment ; he should suffer the consequences of the deliberate and vile offence against the laws of decency, morality, and contrary to the fundamental principles and teachings of Free Masonry, which brought discredit upon himself and the Craft.

We offer the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the application of Lodge No. — to remove the expulsion of A. L. W. and restore him to good Masonic standing be refused.

Fraternally submitted for the Committee,

WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG,

*Chairman.*

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

The Committee on Appeals made the following report, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted :

PHILADELPHIA, March 2, 1904.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania :*

The Committee on Appeals, to which was referred the appeal of A. O. D. from the action of Lodge No. —, F. and A. M., in expelling him from membership, respectfully report as follows :

Your Committee heard the parties, the appellant being represented by himself and Brother S. S. J., a member of said Lodge, and the Lodge being represented by Brother A. P. B., also a member thereof; and before the hearing was completed Brother J. D. C., District Deputy Grand Master of District No. —, within whose district the Lodge is located, appeared and took part.

It appears from the record that at a regular meeting of the Lodge, A. O. D., the appellant, a Master Mason and member of said Lodge, was charged "with conduct unbecoming a Mason."

The charges and specifications were reduced to writing and referred to a committee, which, after due notice, heard the parties and made its report to the Lodge.

In accordance with the requirements of the Ahiman Rezon, the appellant was duly notified of the meeting at which the report would be presented. He attended the meeting, but was late in getting there; the Worshipful Master not caring to have the case disposed of in his absence, before his arrival had ordered that its consideration be postponed until the next subsequent meeting, and the appellant was informed of this while in the Lodge-room.

The appellant is a practising physician. On the day of the next meeting of the Lodge he was called in to attend a patient whose condition he found to be so extremely critical that it was impossible for him to leave till the crisis was over. He sent word to the Senior Warden of the Lodge, informing him of the situation and requesting that action upon his case should be post-



poned until a subsequent meeting of the Lodge, as it was, under the circumstances, absolutely impossible for him to attend. :

This request was communicated to the Worshipful Master ; but he, being of the opinion that, as action on the report of the Trial Committee had already been postponed for a month, it could not, under the Ahiman Rezon, be again postponed, refused to entertain the application ; in view of the Worshipful Master's decision, the reason of appellant's absence and his request for delay were not communicated to the Lodge.

At the meeting of the Lodge the report of the Trial Committee was accordingly taken up when reached in the regular order of business and a resolution adopted expelling the appellant.

The appellant was not present. Notice of the refusal of the Worshipful Master to entertain his request for a postponement was not sent to him, as there was no opportunity of reaching him in time ; and even if notice had been sent and received he could not have been present, as his professional duties made it impossible for him to leave his patient.

There is no question that the Worshipful Master acted in entire good faith in his refusal to entertain the application for a postponement, believing that, under the Ahiman Rezon, he had no power to permit it, even though requested by the defendant.

Your Committee, however, is of opinion that in this decision the Worshipful Master was mistaken. The rule against postponing action on the report of the Trial Committee was intended to prevent unnecessary, unreasonable, and improper delays ; it never was intended to prevent a postponement required in the interest of justice and asked for by the defendant himself for such a reason as was presented in this case.

To condemn without a hearing is of the very essence of injustice. A Brother accused of wrong doing has a right to a hearing before the Lodge before final action is taken on his case. It does not appear in the present case that the defendant was trying to postpone action. He could not have left his patient, under the circumstances described by him, without being guilty of a criminal breach of a high professional duty. Masonry never exacts that from any man.

The appellant did all that could reasonably be required of him: he notified the Senior Warden, who communicated his request for a postponement to the Worshipful Master. Under the circumstances disclosed, this request should have been granted.

While your Committee is satisfied that the Worshipful Master, in his action, believed that he was simply following the requirements of the Ahiman Rezon, it is apparent that in doing so he was mistaken; the appellant did not have a hearing before the Lodge; nor, in view of the facts disclosed, can it be said that he had the opportunity of a hearing, to which he is entitled.

As your Committee are of opinion that for this reason alone, without regard to anything else, the action of the Lodge must be reversed, they do not think it necessary to enter into a discussion of the other points of the case.

In order to prevent any misapprehension, however, the members of the Committee think it proper to say that the charges and specifications, as written, charge the non-payment of an alleged loan. The fact of the loan is denied by the defendant; but even if true, the loan and its non-payment, under the circumstances alleged, would not constitute a Masonic offence; something more than a failure to repay a loan must be properly charged and proved in order to justify the expulsion of a member.

However, this case can be more properly heard and disposed of, if the lodge, after giving the appellant an opportunity of being heard, should again sustain the report of the Trial Committee.

Your Committee on Appeals therefore respectfully recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the action of Lodge No. —, F. and A. M., in expelling A. O. D. from membership be and is hereby reversed and set aside, and the said A. O. D. is restored to membership and good standing therein.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,

*For the Committee.*



The Committee on Finance offered the following resolution, which was, on motion, adopted :

*Resolved*, That an extra appropriation of one hundred dollars be granted to the Committee on Library for the present Masonic year.

The following was also attached to the report of the Committee on Finance :

Your Committee desires to put on record its high appreciation of the many years of service rendered by its late Chairman, Past Grand Master Brother CONRAD B. DAY, who was appointed a member thereof on the 27th day of December, 1871, and who served thereon continuously since that time until the date of his death, January 11, 1904, except for the years when he was serving Grand Lodge as a Grand Officer. He was faithful, zealous, and painstaking, guarding the interests of the Fraternity with care, and might well have been designated as the "Watchdog of the Treasury." We will hold him in grateful and loving remembrance.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.

The Committee on By-Laws made the following report, and the resolutions attached thereto were adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons :*

Your Committee on By-Laws respectfully report that they have examined the By-Laws and Amendments to By-Laws referred to them, and offer the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-Laws of Lodges Nos. 369, 629, and 632 be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-Laws of Lodge No. 294, be amended as follows :

Article XI., Section 2.—By striking out all after the word “made,” in the first line, down to and including the word “as,” in the second line, and inserting in lieu thereof the words “under the style and title of The.”

By striking out all after the word “Ashland,” in the fifth line, down to and including the same word in the eighth line.

By inserting after the word “Pennsylvania,” in the ninth line, the words “or such securities as are or may be sanctioned by law as a proper investment for trust funds.”

And that as so amended they be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Lodges Nos. 72, 115, 236, 253, 273, 287, 325, 433, 442, 541, 543, 575, and 610 be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Lodges Nos. 61, 254, 275, 281, 322, 323, 342, and 538 be approved, and that said Lodges be directed to further amend their By-Laws to conform to the Rules and Regulations of Grand Lodge.

*Resolved*, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Lodge No. 552, Article I., Section 1, and Article III., Section 4, be approved, and that Article III., Section 5, be amended to read as follows: “The Tyler shall perform such duties connected with his office as the Lodge may require, and as a compensation shall receive one dollar for every meeting he may attend to the duties of his office.”

And that as so amended it be approved; and that said Lodge be directed to further amend its By-Laws to conform to the Rules and Regulations of Grand Lodge.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Lodge No. 591 be approved with the exception of Article V., Section 1, and that it be amended by striking out the words “Past Master’s Degree.”

And that as so amended it be approved.



*Resolved*, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Lodge No. 613, Article I., Section 1, and Article III., Section 5, be approved, and that Article II., Section 3, be not approved.

Fraternally submitted,

CHARLES CARY,  
JAMES S. BARBER,  
CHARLES F. WIGNALL,  
JAMES W. R. WASHINGTON,  
SYLVESTER S. GARWOOD,

*Committee on By-Laws.*

PHILADELPHIA, March 2, 1904.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRINTING AND PUBLISHING.

The Committee on Printing and Publishing made the following report, when, on motion, the resolution attached thereto was adopted :

PHILADELPHIA, March 1, 1904.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Master, Officers, and Members  
of the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania,  
Free and Accepted Masons :*

BRETHREN,—Your Committee on Printing and Publishing is pleased to report that the printed Journal of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge for the year 1903 is being delivered by the printer to the Grand Secretary, who commenced their distribution on February 26 to the Lodges throughout the Jurisdiction.

The usual number of copies was ordered, and the work has been performed in a creditable and satisfactory manner, by the J. B. Lippincott Company, to which Company the contract was awarded.

The publication will contain, besides an engraving of the Temple as a frontispiece, faithfully executed portraits of Past Grand Master, EDGAR A. TENNIS, who served during the years 1902 and 1903, and that of Past Grand Master JOSEPH R.

CHANDLER, who occupied the chair in the East during the period of 1841 and 1842.

The next portraits to embellish the proceedings of the year 1904 will be those of the present Right Worshipful Grand Master JAMES W. BROWN, and Past Grand Master SAMUEL H. PERKINS, who presided over this Grand Lodge during the years 1839 and 1840.

That the Committee may be enabled to proceed in having these portraits engraved, it is respectfully requested that the following resolution be adopted :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Printing and Publishing be instructed to have the portraits of Right Worshipful Grand Master JAMES W. BROWN, and Past Grand Master SAMUEL H. PERKINS engraved for the Journal of 1904.

Your Committee desire to express their thanks to Grand Secretary SINN for the prompt furnishing of the manuscript to the printer, whereby the Journal has been issued at so early a date to the Brotherhood.

Fraternally submitted,

M. RICHARDS MUCKLÉ,

*For the Committee.*



## In Memoriam.

Brother AZARIAH W. HOOPES, Past Master of Harmony Lodge No. 52, addressed Grand Lodge as follows:

It has been customary from time immemorial when a distinguished Brother in Freemasonry passes away, for one or more of his associates to prepare a brief record of his life, that the Brethren of the several bodies to which he was attached might all gather some points of interest concerning his private as well as his Masonic career and his relation to the world at large.

No member of our Fraternity in recent years presents a more striking example of a well spent and complete manly life than our late Past Grand Master, Brother CONRAD B. DAY.

“No manly man feels anything of shame in looking back to early struggles with adverse circumstances, and no man feels a worthier pride than when he has conquered the obstacles to his progress.”

The history of Brother DAY's ancestry is lost in the annals of the earlier emigration of English people who sought homes in the new world, although his grandfather was born in this country.

Brother DAY was born July 3, 1832, in the old District of Kensington of this city.

His father, WILLIAM DAY, was born near Haddonfield, New Jersey, and his mother, Mary M. Baker, in Kensington, where she lived for eighty-eight years near

where she was born. His father was a Freemason and a member of Harmony Lodge.

Brother DAY's early education was received in the public schools of the neighborhood where he resided, going from the Palmer Street Grammar School to the Central High School in July, 1845, from which he graduated in July, 1847, taking the two years' course usual at that time. This he felt qualified him for business life, which had, no doubt, been in his mind during his school days, and on his finishing his course at school his energies were directed to securing employment, and in December, 1847, he obtained a position with the house of William P. Wilstach (so well remembered in Philadelphia), No. 28½ (now 38) North Third Street, to learn the saddlery hardware business. On January 1, 1861, he became a member of the firm, which was changed to William P. Wilstach & Co. Mr. Wilstach retired from business January 1, 1867, when the firm became Scott & Day, and on January 1, 1877, CONRAD B. DAY became sole proprietor, under the firm name of Conrad B. Day & Co., which business was continued until December, 1889, when a disastrous fire brought it to a close.

Early in 1890 he was elected president of the Commonwealth National Bank, which in 1891 consolidated its business with the Seventh National Bank, and Brother DAY became President of the latter, continuing as such until the bank retired from business in 1898.

He was elected president of the Philadelphia Casualty Company in January, 1900, which position he held at



the time of his death. He had been a director of the Fidelity Mutual Life Insurance Company since 1890, and a director of the Philadelphia School of Design for Women since 1894.

He was appointed by the governor of Pennsylvania an inspector of the Eastern State Penitentiary in 1893, and had been continuously reappointed since that time. Brother DAY possessed in a large degree the quality of leadership, and was prominent in commercial and financial circles in Philadelphia throughout his business life.

If there was one striking feature in the well-rounded character of Brother DAY it was his unbounded love for Freemasonry. Nothing but necessity ever kept him away from the meetings of the various bodies to which he was attached, and until the encroachment of disease overtook him he was usually at the closing as well as at the opening of the meetings. He received Masonic light by initiation in Harmony Lodge, No. 52, F. and A. M., of Philadelphia, on May 20, 1854. He was crafted June 17, 1854, and was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in Washington Hall, Third Street above Spruce, Philadelphia, at that time the Masonic Hall, the Grand Lodge having erected and dedicated the new Masonic Hall on Chestnut Street in 1855. Harmony Lodge was one of the first Lodges to move to that building, and at the first election held there Brother DAY was elected Junior Warden, in December, 1855, serving in 1856, when he was elected Senior Warden in December of that year, serving in 1857. In December, 1857, he was elected Worshipful

Master, serving during the year 1858. In December, 1860, he was elected Treasurer of the Lodge and re-elected annually for twenty years, until December, 1881, when he declined a re-election.

In the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania he was appointed an Almoner of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund on December 27, 1862, serving for five years, when he was appointed on the Committee on Appeals of Grand Lodge, serving on the same until December 27, 1871, when he was appointed on the Committee on Finance, being reappointed and serving until December 27, 1877.

He was elected Junior Grand Warden December, 1877, serving in 1878, being elected Senior Grand Warden in December of that year and re-elected in 1879, serving in 1879 and 1880; was elected Deputy Grand Master December, 1880, re-elected in 1881, serving during 1881 and 1882. On December 6, 1882, he was elected Right Worshipful Grand Master, and re-elected in 1883, serving in 1883 and 1884.

Since his retirement from the Chair as Grand Master he has served Grand Lodge as a member of the Committee on Landmarks, continuing to serve until his death. He was one of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of Grand Lodge from 1889 to 1892, and until his death was Chairman of the Committee on Finance, having been appointed thereon in 1892.

He was the Representative of the Grand Lodge of Ohio near this Grand Lodge for many years, until Pennsylvania abandoned this system of representation.

He became a Masonic Veteran of Pennsylvania on



July 19, 1881, and was elected an honorary member thereof December 30, 1899.

He received the honorary degree of a Mark Master Mason in Girard Mark Lodge, No. 214, on March 13, 1855, in the old Masonic Hall on Third Street, just previous to the removal to the new hall on Chestnut Street.

He was received and accepted as a Most Excellent Master Mason and exalted to the supreme degree of a Royal Arch Mason in Columbia Holy Royal Arch Chapter, No. 91, Philadelphia, in Chestnut Street Hall, April 21, 1858, when he became a member of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania by virtue of being a member of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and a Royal Arch Mason.

He was elected and served as Scribe in 1865, as King in 1866, and as Most Excellent High Priest in 1867, when he received the order of High Priesthood.

He was elected a Trustee of the Chapter and served for the past thirty years, being the Representative of his Chapter in the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania since the system was adopted.

He was a member of the Committee on Finance for many years, being its Chairman from 1865 to 1881, inclusive; was a member of the Committee on Correspondence from 1887 to 1891; was Chairman of the Committee on Charity from 1892 until his decease, and was Representative of the Grand Chapter of Virginia since 1891.

He was knighted in St. John's Commandery, No. 4, Knights Templar, of Philadelphia, by being constituted

and created a Knight of the Red Cross and dubbed and created a Knight Templar and instructed in the secrets of Malta May 26, 1865, being for many years one of the Trustees of the Commandery.

On October 1, 1890, Harmony Lodge, No. 52, at a special meeting, presented to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and unveiled a life-sized oil painting of Past Grand Master DAY, he being the oldest living Past Master of the Lodge. The portrait was presented with much ceremony and was ordered to be placed in Ionic Hall, and there it is at this time. It was a fitting tribute, deserved by long and earnest Masonic labor and commendatory of Brother DAY's zeal for the Fraternity he so much loved.

Brother DAY was an honorable, upright man, and leaves behind him the record of a good name that may be scanned by the brightest sunlight and of which his Brethren in Masonry may feel proud. His last will indicates a charitable mind.

“ Were a star quenched on high,  
For ages would its light,  
Still travelling downward from the sky,  
Shine on our mortal sight.

“ So when a good man dies,  
For years beyond our ken,  
The Light he leaves behind him lies  
Upon the paths of men.”

In religion Brother DAY was a Presbyterian, having been a member of Temple Church for nearly forty years, and it would require no serious stretch of the



imagination to conclude that had he lived in earlier days he might have been a leader in the Covenanter movement, or an active disciple of John Calvin or John Knox.

Brother DAY was twice married, and leaves a widow and three sons, two of whom have sought Masonic light in the Lodge of their father and grandfather, the elder having by election been honored in due course as Master of the Lodge.

As a business man Brother DAY was precise and accurate, as the history of one trust, which he managed, will fully confirm, coming into his custody and amounting to about one and one-half millions of dollars, and in twenty years reaching the large sum of five and one-half millions, and I may add that all such matters were conducted with equal fidelity, even carrying his methodical ways into the management of his own private affairs.

The voyage of life of our Past Grand Master was navigated with a compass that was true to the pole of his ambition and certain to direct him aright, which may inspire in us the firm conviction that he has at last entered the harbor of safety, the haven of eternal rest.

*Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge desires to record the death of Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother CONRAD B. DAY, which occurred January 11, 1904, and to express its high appreciation of his character both as a man and a Freemason. Had he lived until May 20 of this year he would have completed

full fifty years of Masonic Brotherhood, and he frequently expressed the hope and wish that he might be spared until the half-century was reached.

Brother DAY's experience as a Mason was so broad and varied that his place will be hard to fill and his example difficult to emulate, and the Grand Lodge will long remember his loss.

*Resolved*, That in testimony of regard for his memory, the stations and jewels of the Grand Officers of this Grand Lodge be draped in mourning for six months.

*Resolved*, That these resolutions be recorded in the minutes of this Communication of the Grand Lodge, and that a copy of the same be engrossed and delivered to the family of Brother DAY.

Brother WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG, Past Master of Lodge No. 246, addressed Grand Lodge as follows:

Nothing more deserving nor beautiful can be added to the tribute offered to the memory of our late Past Grand Master, Brother CONRAD B. DAY, by the Brother who was chosen to present to us the eulogy of his life and services; nothing I can say will more fittingly tell you what he was and what he did during his long and useful career, but an almost life's intimacy prompts me to add a few words in memory of one whom I honored and respected for many years of close friendship.



His services to this Grand Lodge cannot be too highly appreciated; his term of office as Right Worshipful Grand Master was marked by a dignified and faithful devotion to its best interests; no sacrifice on his part was too great in the strict and intelligent performance of the duties devolving upon the occupant of that high position; he was candid, outspoken, faithful, and loyal in his every act; he used not lengthy phrases nor flowery rhetoric; his decisions were prompt, just, mindful of the rights and privileges of those affected, and always in accord with our Ancient Landmarks and Masonic Law. His administration of the affairs of this Grand Lodge reflected honor and credit upon himself as well as to this great Masonic body. He served upon many of its important committees, notably on Landmarks, Appeals, and Finance; as Chairman of the latter for many years, much credit must be given for the able and business-like treatment of its financial affairs; particularly noticeable and to be commended during that period was the reduction of a large part of the debt incurred for the building of this beautiful Temple from nearly two millions to the comparatively small sum of one hundred and ninety-eight thousand dollars. Of his many noble qualities he possessed an attentive ear and an open hand, no appeal for the alleviation of distress, for the relief of a worthy Brother, or of any fellow-being passed unheeded; he gave as freely as his means permitted.

Brother DAY was in many respects an uncommon man; he had those sterling characteristics, integrity,

energy, and faithfulness ; he was frequently called upon to fill offices both public and private of a fiduciary capacity and of great responsibility ; he never faltered in the proper performance of his duty ; his public services were often harassing and difficult, but he always maintained his high reputation for right and justice without regard to consequences. He died as he lived, without a stain or stigma having smirched his good name.

His home and family relations were happy and most affectionate. He was well known and highly respected in the mercantile community as an honorable and straightforward merchant, whose word was relied upon as being absolutely correct ; his business qualifications were of a superior order, which were remarkably shown in the rapid advancement during his boyhood and early manhood by his own efforts, from a small beginning to be the head of one of our large mercantile houses ; every act of his business life was creditable to himself and fair to those with whom he dealt.

To those who were in close bonds of friendship with Brother DAY his death will be keenly felt ; as members of this Grand Lodge and of the whole Fraternity of Freemasons we mourn his loss and unite in the sad thought that a good, useful, and worthy man and Brother has been too early taken from our midst.

Brother JAMES M. BEATTY, Past Master of Lodge No. 610, addressed Grand Lodge as follows :



RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER AND BRETH-  
REN OF GRAND LODGE:

It is difficult for one to speak under such trying circumstances, when emotion causes the heart to rise and the voice to tremble. Such is my condition as I stand before this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge, after listening to the eloquent words of the Brethren who have preceded me, on the life and character of our departed Past Grand Master, Brother CONRAD B. DAY, my valued friend for more than forty years. We have rejoiced together in the sunshine, and sympathized with each other in the shadow.

Standing in the presence of Almighty God, to whom the spirit of our departed Brother has returned, I feel that we should reflect upon the solemnity of death; and as we contemplate the immortality of the soul, rise to a higher conception of the immensity of God's love, in giving man Eternal Life—for the soul never dies, but lives on through the countless ages we call Eternity. "Life, how short; eternity, how long!" One by one our Brethren of this Grand Lodge are leaving us to join the Supreme Grand Lodge above.

How often, after the closing of our Lodge (while many had gone to their homes), the few who lingered to converse noticed the janitor turning out the lights; then were we, too, reminded that it was time for us to take our departure. Looking down time's vista in this Grand Lodge, I see it narrowing into the year 1866. Since then, I have seen Masonic lights turned out along life's roadside one by one. There were great

lights, and lesser lights, but all lights brightening happy homes.

CONRAD B. DAY was born in Philadelphia, July 3, 1832. His father, WILLIAM DAY, was born in New Jersey, and his mother, Mary M. Baker, was born in Philadelphia. Their ancestors were of sturdy English stock. His early education was received in the public schools of his native city, graduating from the Central High School in July, 1847. In the following December he entered the employ of William P. Wilstach to learn the saddlery hardware business. January 1, 1861, he became a member of the firm, then known as W. P. Wilstach & Co., in which he continued until December, 1889. He was for several years President of the Commonwealth National Bank, and afterwards of the Seventh National Bank. Brother DAY occupied many prominent positions of trust, and was considered one of the leading figures in commercial and financial circles in Philadelphia. He was a dignified gentleman of sterling integrity; his word was his bond. He was approachable and companionable, but with that reserve which increased rather than diminished his gentlemanly deportment. He moved through life with little friction, commanding the respect and confidence of all who knew him.

Brother DAY was initiated into the mystery of Freemasonry in Harmony Lodge, No. 52, May 20, 1854. He served as Right Worshipful Grand Master of this Grand Lodge in 1883-1884. His administration was recognized as one of conservatism, adhering rigidly to



the Ancient Landmarks, Usages, and Customs of Freemasonry. His fine Masonic career is well known to the Craft throughout our Jurisdiction.

Early in life Brother DAY united with the Kensington First Presbyterian Church, where he remained for many years a consistent member, holding various offices. Later he removed to another section of the city, and united with the Temple Presbyterian Church, at Franklin and Thompson Streets; there he continued a faithful member and officer until he departed this life. He was a consistent Christian, an honorable man, and a worthy Mason.

It was my privilege to form the acquaintance of Brother CONRAD B. DAY in the year 1863. He visited my Lodge in 1864 to see me entered, passed, and raised. Our Masonic friendship, which began at that time, continued unbroken until I bade him farewell a few hours before he passed to the Supreme Grand Lodge beyond.

There was something pathetic in the close of this useful life. It was on Wednesday afternoon, January 6, 1904, that it was my privilege to meet him by appointment at his office in the Fidelity Building to confer concerning a matter pertaining to this Grand Lodge in which he was deeply interested. He seemed to be in his usual good health. I well remember how kindly he was speaking of his Brother Past Grand Masters on that occasion, and especially of one with whom he had associated for many years in his Subordinate Lodge. He was speaking of him in the most

affectionate terms, when that fatal chill came,—his summons to the Supreme Grand Lodge on high. He felt the call, and said he feared that this was the beginning of his last illness. “In the midst of life we are in death.” On the following Monday, January 11, at 11.45 A.M., he was translated to the Spirit Land.

It is a noteworthy coincidence, that the Masonic mantle of our departed Brother DAY should fall upon the shoulders of that Brother in the Grand Lodge of whom he had been in the act of speaking when his last call came.

The home life of Brother DAY was one of devotion to his family. The tender, loving care he bestowed upon his wife, who has been an invalid for several years, is well known to those who have had the privilege of intercourse with them. He leaves his afflicted wife, and three sons, WILLIAM W., SAMUEL H., and MARTIN H. DAY, to mourn the loss of a devoted husband and father. At the Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge, held September 2, 1903, Brother DAY, in speaking in Memoriam of Past Grand Master Brother SAMUEL C. PERKINS, offered his own obituary when he said,—

“The Angel of Death again has come into our midst and taken from us another Past Grand Master; one who was endeared to the Brethren of this Grand Lodge by the earnestness manifested in his Masonic life, the sincerity and honesty of his convictions, mingled with a dignity of presence and graciousness of man-



ner that was certain of commanding the respect and esteem of those who were blest with his friendship."

All of which is equally applicable to the life and character of the lamented Right Worshipful Past Grand Master, Brother CONRAD B. DAY, and will be fraternally endorsed by all the Brethren who knew him.

This dispensation of Providence should teach us the need of coming into close touch with our Brethren in Freemasonry, and draw the bands of fraternal love more firmly during our earthly pilgrimage, rather than save our flowers to scatter on their graves. "We should strive to practise out of the Lodge those principles of religion and morality we are taught within it; then we will be better enabled to display the beauties of holiness to the honor of God's great name. By serving Him aright, all our doings will tend to His glory and the salvation of our souls."

"Chance and change are busy ever;  
 Man decays, and ages move;  
 But His mercy waneth never;  
 God is wisdom, God is love."



On motion of Right Worshipful Past Grand Master, Brother WILLIAM J. KELLY, it was

*Resolved*, That one thousand copies of the eulogiums on Right Worshipful Past Grand Master BROTHER CONRAD B. DAY be printed and a copy sent to each Subordinate Lodge in this Jurisdiction, and to each Grand Lodge with which this Grand Lodge is in fraternal correspondence.

The Right Worshipful Grand Master, in deciding an amendment to the Ahiman Rezon, offered December 28, 1903, out of order, stated to Grand Lodge his reasons as follows:

At the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, held December 28, 1903, the following amendment to the Ahiman Rezon was offered:

3. Amend Article X., Section 1, by striking out \$10.00 and inserting in lieu thereof \$5.00, to read,—

“Dispensations to pass to the Chair, each . . . \$5.00”

6. And by striking out \$2.00 and inserting in lieu thereof \$1.00, to read,—

“Lodges meeting outside the city of Philadelphia, for each initiation . . . \$1.00”

And by striking out \$1.00 and inserting in lieu thereof fifty (50) cents, to read,—

“For each member annually . . . \$0.50”

And by striking out \$2.00 and inserting in lieu thereof \$1.00, to read,—

“Lodges meeting in the city of Philadelphia, for each initiation . . . \$1.00”

And by striking out the words “ten per cent.” and inserting in lieu thereof “five per cent.,” to read,—



“And five per cent. out of each Initiation Fee.”

And by striking out \$1.00 and inserting in lieu thereof fifty (50) cents, to read,—

“For each member annually . . . . . \$0.50”

And amend Section 2, Article X., by inserting after the words “seventy-five dollars (\$75),”—

“And for passing to the Chair for a less sum than five dollars (\$5.00).”

And after the words “forty dollars” (\$40) by inserting,—

“And for passing to the Chair for a less sum than five dollars (\$5.00).”

And after the words “thirty dollars (\$30)” by inserting,—

“And for passing to the chair for a less sum than five dollars (\$5.00).”

This amendment is improperly before Grand Lodge for reasons given by Brother J. SIMPSON AFRICA, Right Worshipful Grand Master, at the Quarterly Communication, held at Philadelphia, December 2, A.D. 1891, A.L. 5891, when he ruled that a proposed amendment offered by Brothers ALEXANDER B. RUTLEDGE, of Lodge No. 45, and ROBERT LOCKHART, JR., of Lodge No. 484 (see Proceedings of 1890, page 74), of a similar nature, was out of order, as will be seen by reference to pages 63, 64, and 65, Proceedings of A.D. 1891, A.L. 5891, as follows:

“On taking up the proposed amendment to Section 1 of Article X. of the Ahiman Rezon, the Right Worshipful Grand Master made the following decision:

“This amendment and all other proposed amendments now pending that affect the revenues of the Grand Lodge are im-

properly before it, as Section 20 of Article XIII. of the Ahiman Rezon declares that all matters relating to the finances of the Grand Lodge shall be referred to the Committee on Finance. But, while such a reference could yet be made, these propositions involve a much more important question,—a breach of the pledged faith and credit of the Grand Lodge.

“The ground upon which this magnificent Temple stands was purchased by the Grand Lodge in 1867. The corner-stone was laid on St. John’s Day, June 24, 1868. It was foreseen that the then revenues of the Grand Lodge would be inadequate to pay even the interest that would accrue upon the cost of the Temple, and at the Quarterly Communication, held June 7, 1871, the Grand Lodge

“ ‘*Resolved*, That the Committee on Finance be and they are hereby instructed and directed to inquire into the present financial condition of this Grand Lodge, and suggest what changes, if any, in their opinion will be necessary to further increase its receipts and revenue, with a view to a certain and prompt payment of the interest on its loan for the building of the new Temple, and for the purpose of establishing a larger sinking fund for the certain and final redemption of the debt created by the erection of that building.’

“At the following Quarterly Communication, held September 6, the Committee on Finance reported, in answer to the resolution :

“ ‘They have had a full and free interchange of opinion with the Building Committee ; and, after looking at the subject in all its bearings, they are convinced that it is absolutely necessary, for maintaining the good faith and credit of the Grand Lodge, that her revenues should be increased, and that the most feasible and least onerous method is to increase the Grand Lodge dues from the Subordinate Lodges. They have prepared and unanimously recommended for the adoption of the Grand Lodge, the following amendments to the Ahiman Rezon, which under the law will have to lie over for final action till the Quarterly Grand Communication in December next.’



“At the December Communication the proposed amendments were taken up, considered, amended, and adopted. These amendments, which were incorporated into the revised Ahiman Rezon of 1878 (Article X., Sections 1 and 2), established the rate of fees and dues that have been charged from the date of their adoption until the present time, a period of twenty years. The second section declares that—

“‘The dues and fees provided for above shall only continue until the debt of the Grand Lodge is reduced to \$500,000, which shall be ascertained by deducting the sinking fund from the amount of the Grand Lodge Loans, when they shall revert to what they were in 1871; and when the Masonic loans are all paid off, then the dues and fees shall revert to what they were in 1867.’

“Upon the strength of this pledge, the Grand Lodge was enabled to float its loan in 1870 at  $7\frac{3}{10}$  per cent.; refund it in 1875 at 6 per cent.; in 1880 at 5 per cent., and in 1890 at 4 per cent., and from the increased revenue and the sale of the Chestnut Street Hall the debt has been reduced from over \$1,500,000 to an amount less than \$800,000.

“Any amendment to the Ahiman Rezon reducing the fees or dues as fixed by the amendment of 1871, or increasing its expenditures, would be violative of this declaration and pledge of the Grand Lodge, and cannot be entertained.

“I therefore declare the proposed amendment now under consideration and all other proposed amendments, now pending, affecting the revenues of the Grand Lodge to be out of order.”

I suppose the omission from the Ahiman Rezon, edition of 1895, of Section 2, of Article X., referred to by Brother J. SIMPSON AFRICA, by the Committee on Revision, caused this pledge to be overlooked when the amendment was offered. But I am convinced that any amendment reducing the fees and dues, as fixed by this Article, would be violating the faith of Grand Lodge.

The Article is still binding upon Grand Lodge until the Bonds referred to are all retired.

I therefore declare the proposed amendment, now pending, out of order.

An appeal was received from W. J. F., a member of Lodge No. —, appealing from the action of said Lodge, on the report of the Trial Committee, in the case of J. L. L., which was referred to the Committee on Appeals.

The Right Worshipful Grand Master announced that he had appointed Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother CONRAD B. DAY; and to fill the vacancies caused thereby, he had appointed Brother JOHN L. THOMSON, of Lodge No. 51, Chairman of the Trustees of the Girard Bequest, and Brother EDWARD B. SPENCER, of Lodge No. 368, a Trustee of said Bequest.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 9 o'clock 10 minutes P.M.

*William A. Sinn*  
*Grand Secretary.*



# Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, June 1, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904.

### PRESENT:

Bro. JAMES W. BROWN . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
“ GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
“ GEORGE B. ORLADY . . .	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
“ CHARLES M. SWAIN . . .	<i>R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
“ THOMAS R. PATTON . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ WILLIAM A. SINN . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ JOHN A. PERRY . . .	<i>Deputy Grand Secretary.</i>
“ MATTHIAS H. HENDERSON . . .	<i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
“ WILLIAM J. KELLY . . .	
“ GEORGE E. WAGNER . . .	
“ EDGAR A. TENNIS . . .	
“ JOHN W. LANSINGER . . .	<i>D. D. Grand Masters.</i>
“ WILLIAM L. GORGAS . . .	
“ SAMUEL M. GOODYEAR . . .	
“ DAVID H. WEAVER . . .	
“ THADDEUS S. ADLE . . .	
“ ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . .	
“ JOHN J. HITTLE . . .	
“ MATTHEW M. MACMILLAN . . .	
“ WILLIAM D. WHITE . . .	
“ THOMAS F. WELLS . . .	
“ WILLIAM H. HULSIZER . . .	
“ EZRA C. DOTY . . .	

Bro. WILSON I. FLEMING . . .	}	<i>D. D. Grand Masters.</i>
“ SOLOMON R. DRESSER . . .		
“ ADRIAN W. MCCOY . . .		
“ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH . . .		
“ WILLIAM M. HAMILTON . . .		
“ JAMES W. MCDOWELL . . .		
“ JAMES HARRIS MUSSINA . . .		
“ WILLIAM F. JOHNSTON . . .		
“ JOHN W. FARNSWORTH . . .		
“ JOHN D. GOFF . . . . .		
“ FRANK C. O'ROURKE . . .		
“ SAMUEL HAMILTON . . . .		
“ RICHARD E. COCHRAN . . .		
“ GRAFTON T. REYNOLDS . . .	}	<i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
“ CHARLES H. BOND . . . . .		
“ GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN, D.D. . . . .		
“ SAMUEL P. KELLY . . . . .		
“ JOHN L. KINSEY . . . . .		<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
“ SIMON B. CAMERON . . . .		<i>Junior Grand Deacon.</i>
“ ALFRED E. BURNAFORD . . .	}	<i>Grand Stewards.</i>
“ GEORGE B. WELLS . . . . .		
“ WILLIAM J. DIEHL . . . . .		<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
“ GEORGE J. VANDEGRIFT . . .		<i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
“ CHARLES S. BAIR . . . . .		<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
“ SAMUEL W. WRAY . . . . .		<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

One hundred and thirty-nine Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 7 o'clock P.M.

Copies of proposed By-Laws and proposed Amendments to By-Laws were received from a number of Lodges and referred to the Committee on By-Laws.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive



from H. N. S. a second application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from C. S. a second application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.

The Committee on By-Laws made the following report, and the resolutions attached thereto were adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons :*

Your Committee on By-Laws respectfully report that they have examined the By-Laws and Amendments to By-Laws referred to them, and offer the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-Laws of Lodge No. 75 be amended as follows :

Article VI., Section 1.—By striking out the words “by a vote of the Lodge or.”

Article VIII.—By striking out the last paragraph.

Article IX., Section 2.—By striking out “annually on the night of the,” and inserting in lieu thereof the words “at the stated meeting next succeeding the annual.”

Article XI., Section 2.—By striking out “in the names of the said trustees as,” and inserting in lieu thereof the words “under the style and title of The.”

Article XI., Section 2.—By inserting “and” after the word “bonds” in the third line, and in the fourth line, inserting, after the word mortgages,” the following : “when the same is the first incumbrance.”

Article XII.—By striking out all after the word “fund” in the sixth line, down to the word “by” in the eighth line.

And that as so amended they be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-Laws of Lodge No. 152 be amended as follows :

Article IV., Section 1.—By striking out the words “which sum shall be considered a part of the fee.”

Article V.—By striking out in the last paragraph the words “subject to the provisions of Section 1, Article IV.” By changing the number of Article VIII. to Article XIV., and numbering the intermediate Articles to correspond.

And that as so amended they be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-Laws of Lodge No. 552 be amended as follows :

Article V.—By striking out in the eleventh line the words “and advancement,” and in the last paragraph the words “subject to the provisions of Section 1, Article IV.”

And that as so amended they be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Lodges Nos. 19, 67, 194, 220, 246, 255, 295, 313, 345, 384, 443, 506, 516, 559, 590, 599, 607, 611, 612, 624, and 631 be approved.

*Resolved*, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Lodge No. 155, Article III., Section 2, Article IV., Section 1, Article V., Section 2, and new Article X., Sections 1 and 3, be approved.

That Article III., Section 3, be amended by striking out the last clause.

That new Article X., Section 2, be amended by inserting “thereto” after the word “donations.”

And that as so amended they be approved.

*Resolved*, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Lodge No. 566, Article III., Sections 2, 3, and 4, be ap-



proved, and the proposed Amendment to Article VIII. be *not* approved.

*Resolved*, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Lodge No. 617, Article V., Section 1, be approved, and that Article III., Section 4, be amended by striking out the words "change to be in effect from St. John's Day last."

And that as so amended it be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Lodge No. 273 be approved, with the exception of the omission of Article IX.

Fraternally submitted,

CHARLES CARY,  
JAMES S. BARBER,  
CHARLES F. WIGNALL,  
JAMES W. R. WASHINGTON,  
SYLVESTER S. GARWOOD,

*Committee on By-Laws.*

PHILADELPHIA, June 1, 1904.

### MASONIC HOMES.

The Committee on Masonic Homes made the following report, when, on motion, the resolutions attached thereto were adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania and Masonic Jurisdiction Thereunto Belonging :*

Your Committee, appointed at the Quarterly Communication held at Philadelphia, December 2, A.D. 1903, A.L. 5903, to report a plan of procedure to secure the title to property, to prescribe the requisite qualifications for admission to said Home or Homes, and provide for the immediate organization, main-

tenance, control, and management thereof, would most respectfully report :

That they have held a number of meetings to consider the matters referred to them, and after considering the whole subject, referred to a subcommittee of three of the General Committee the duty of devising and preparing a plan of procedure to secure the title to property, to prescribe the requisite qualifications, etc. This subcommittee made the following report to the Committee of Seventeen (17), which report was adopted :

*To the Chairman and Members of the Committee on the Masonic Home :*

The Committee of Three, appointed by your body would respectfully report :

That there is no legal difficulty in carrying out the purpose of the Committee as expressed in its conferences. "The Masonic Home of Pennsylvania," which is now in the twentieth year of its existence has already accomplished splendid results, and has the power and ability of doing greater work in the future. From a very small beginning, it has made remarkable progress and attained a position which gives it the right to be considered in any movement looking towards the establishment of an additional Home. To proceed by independent action to establish a separate Home under the auspices of the Grand Lodge would, without good reason, antagonize the work of the Brethren who have already done so much for the cause of Masonic charity, besides creating a want of harmony, wholly inconsistent with Masonic thought and action, and would probably cripple the usefulness of the existing Home and at the same time defeat the establishment of the new one.

It is clearly for the interest of all concerned to carry out the thought of your Committee and try to utilize the Charter of the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania, if this be practicable, and, by working in harmony with those in the management of this Home, bring it and the effort to establish the additional Home under the supervisory control and direction of the Grand Lodge.

It is evident that there is a widespread desire on the part of



the Craft to have a home for Masons, their wives, widows, and orphans, established in another part of the State, and it is a desire that should be gratified. It seems to your Committee that this can be done properly and safely through the medium of the Charter above referred to. The present Charter of the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania is as follows :

“An Act to Incorporate ‘The Masonic Home of Pennsylvania.’

“SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that ROBERT A. LAMBERTON, CHRISTIAN F. KNAPP, HENRY B. MCKEAN, MICHAEL NISBET, JOHN A. WRIGHT, D. W. C. CARROLL, JEREMIAH L. HUTCHINSON, SAMUEL B. DICK, JAMES M. PORTER, and JAMES H. HOPKINS, their associates and successors, be, and they are hereby created a body corporate and politic, with perpetual succession, by the name and style of ‘The Masonic Home of Pennsylvania,’ and by that name are made capable in law and equity to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, contract and be contracted with, and to make, have, and use a common seal and the same to break, alter, renew at pleasure, ordain by-laws, and shall have the right to take and hold by purchase, gift, and devise real and personal estate, free from all taxation, for the purpose hereinafter named, and to sell convey, or exchange the same at pleasure.

“SEC. 2. The object of said institution shall be to provide and sustain in the State of Pennsylvania one or more houses for destitute widows and orphans of deceased Freemasons of the State of Pennsylvania, and an infirmary or infirmaries for the reception and care of sick and afflicted Freemasons in indigent circumstances, and all such as may be placed under its charge by its Managers.

“SEC. 3. The membership of said institution shall consist of life-members, active members, and representatives of Masonic Bodies, under such regulations as the Committee of Management may prescribe—all of whom shall be Freemasons.

“SEC. 4. There shall be a meeting of the members of the institution called within three months after the passing of this Act, for the purpose of electing members of the Committee of Management, prescribing its constitution and general rules and regulations for the government of the institution. Said Committee of Management shall elect one of their own members as President, and shall appoint a Secretary, Treasurer, Surgeon, and such other officers and agents as may be necessary.

“SEC. 5. Elections for such members of the Committee of Management as are not life-members shall be held annually as the rules may prescribe, and in case of a failure to hold such election at the specified time, the old members shall hold over until their successors shall be duly elected and qualified.

“SEC. 6. A misnomer of the corporation in any deed, gift, grant, or devise, or in any instrument, shall not vitiate the same, if the corporation shall be sufficiently described therein to ascertain the intention of the parties.”

This Charter provides for the establishment of “one or more houses,” so that there is no difficulty under its provision in multiplying the number of its institutions. The endeavor of your Committee has been to see if this could be done under this Charter, so as to bring the present Home and the one that is to be established under the control and supervision of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, while leaving the executive management in the hands of the officers of the corporation.

The Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, passed in 1874, divided corporations into two classes, and under Clause 2 of the first-class names those created for :

“The support of any benevolent, charitable, educational, or missionary undertaking.”

And the charter in question falls within this class.

Section 42 of the Act of 1874 provides a method of amending charters of corporations such as are defined in the subdivision of class one, above quoted, and makes the same method applicable to :

“All such corporations now in existence.”



The Masonic Home of Pennsylvania was a corporation in existence at the time of the passage of the said Act. From this it would appear that the charter of the Masonic Home could be amended by complying with the requirements of the said section of the Act of 1874 and the supplements thereto, for it is clearly covered by the words :

“Including all such corporations now (then) in existence.”

Your Committee would recommend the following changes in the Charter :

Section 3 of the Charter in question could be amended so as to read :

SEC. 3. The membership of said corporation shall consist of life-members, active members, the Right Worshipful Grand Master and the Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master and the Right Worshipfuls the Senior and Junior Grand Wardens of the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania and Masonic Jurisdiction Thereunto Belonging, and a standing Committee on Masonic Homes of said Grand Lodge, consisting of seven (7) members of said Grand Lodge, in good standing, who shall be elected at the Quarterly Communication of said Grand Lodge next preceding St. John the Evangelist's Day, in each and every year (and in case of failure to elect in any year, the old Committee shall serve until their successors are elected), and representatives of Masonic Bodies—life members and active members shall be Freemasons, and be admitted to membership under such regulations as the By-Laws shall prescribe.

Section 4 of the Charter in question should be amended so as to read :

Sec. 4. (After the words ending the first sentence of the Section, reading as follows: “for the government of the institution.”) Said Board of Managers shall consist of twenty-one members. The four Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge aforesaid mentioned in Section 3, together with the Standing Committee of Seven, elected annually by the said Grand Lodge, shall, during the period for which they respectively have been

elected, and until their successors are chosen, constitute a part of the Board of Managers; and they, as well as ten other persons, members of the corporation, to be elected by the members of the corporation, shall constitute the Board of Managers. The Board of Managers shall elect one or more Vice-Presidents, who shall be the executive officers of the corporation, and a Secretary, Treasurer, and Surgeon, and other officers and agents as they deem necessary. The Right Worshipful the Grand Master of the said Grand Lodge shall, during his term of office, be, *ex officio*, president of said corporation.

Section 5 of the Charter in question should be amended by striking out the words "as are not life-members" after the words "Committee of Management."

The Charter should be further amended by striking out the words "Committee of Management" wherever they occur in it, and substituting therefor the words "Board of Managers," and by striking out the word "institution" wherever it occurs, and substituting therefor the word "Corporation."

These changes in the Charter must be made upon application of the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania to the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County, which will make an order requiring advertisement once a week for three weeks in two newspapers in the county and also in the *Legal Intelligencer*, and one German paper published in said county.

The By-Laws would need to be amended so as to accord with the changes thus made in the fundamental law of the corporation. Your Committee has carefully noted the changes which would be required in the By-Laws, but does not embody them in this report, as that is a matter to be subsequently considered.

If your Committee concurs in these recommendations, the course of procedure would be to make a report to the Grand Lodge embodying these recommendations, and also embodying a recommendation that such changes in the Ahiman Rezon of the Grand Lodge be made as will provide for the election of a standing committee of seven, to be entitled "Committee on Masonic Homes," and also to properly authorize the said four



Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge to discharge the duties that would devolve upon them by making them members of the Board of Managers of the corporation.

After the Grand Lodge shall have made these changes in the Ahiman Rezon, or concurrently with the making of them, the proper legal steps could be taken by the corporation, and no time need be lost in effecting the full and complete consummation of this plan. In the opinion of your Subcommittee, it is a plan that will effect harmoniously and satisfactorily the object sought by all who have advocated the establishment of homes in other parts of the State, and also satisfy those who have been connected with the present home located in Philadelphia, and bring this entire movement of Masonic charity, in this connection, where it ought to be,—under the general supervision and direction of the Grand Lodge.

(Signed) GEORGE S. GRAHAM, *Chairman*.  
 GEORGE B. ORLADY.  
 LOUIS WAGNER.

After the adoption of the report of the Subcommittee and due consideration thereof, it was determined to present the same to the Grand Lodge as the action of the General Committee, and covering this, and the remainder of the matters included in the submission to this Committee, by the Grand Lodge, to present the following resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, That the plan for united effort in the establishment of Homes embodied in the report of the Committee be, and the same is hereby, approved, and the Committee is authorized to proceed with the necessary work to carry the same into effect.

2. *Resolved*, That the Committee be, and is hereby, instructed to report at the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, in December next, such amendments to the Ahiman Rezon as may be in their judgment necessary to be adopted by Grand Lodge to carry the said plan into effect.

3. *Resolved*, That the Committee be, and is hereby, continued to devise and report a plan for the immediate establish-

ment of a Home, outside of Philadelphia, together with such recommendations, as to the provisions of ways and means, as they may deem expedient.

4. *Resolved*, that the Committee be further authorized to report a plan, if necessary, for the carrying into effect of the one herewith submitted, at as early a date as possible, avoiding the delays consequent upon the making of the alterations in the Ahiman Rezon, as may be necessary. Such plan to become operative as soon as the charter of the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania shall have been amended in accordance with the suggestions of the Committee.

5. *Resolved*, That a copy of the Committee's report, including the resolutions, be transmitted to each Lodge in this Jurisdiction, with instructions to have the same read for the information of the Brethren in the open Lodge, at a stated meeting held after notice to the members.

Your Committee feel that they have solved the difficulties in the way of harmonious action, and formulated a plan upon which all Masons can cordially unite, and thereby secure right speedily the establishment of Homes, sufficient for the need of the Craft, and those dependent on them, and also secure that harmony which of all things is most desirable in any movement of Masonic charity.

The Committee earnestly recommends the foregoing resolutions to the consideration of the Grand Lodge.

Signed for the Committee, by its direction.

GEORGE S. GRAHAM.  
GEORGE B. ORLADY.  
LOUIS WAGNER.

On motion of Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, Brother GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR., it was

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Masonic Homes be directed to insert the word "wives" where necessary to carry out the intention that indigent Freemasons and their wives be cared for.



District Deputy Grand Master Brother THOMAS F. WELLS offered the following preamble and resolution, which were, on motion, adopted :

WHEREAS, It is important that full information in regard to the necessity for the desirability of making further provision for the maintenance and care of destitute widows or orphans of deceased Freemasons, and of sick and afflicted Freemasons and their wives in indigent circumstances in the Jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge :

*Resolved*, That the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary be directed to communicate with all of the Subordinate Lodges of this Grand Lodge, and request definite answers by the said Subordinate Lodges to the following inquiries :

How many members in good standing are there in your Lodge?

How many Brethren and widows and children of Masons, if any, has your Lodge furnished financial aid to during the years 1900, 1901, 1902, and 1903?

What amount has your Lodge paid to the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania during said years?

Is your Lodge a member of the corporation of the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania?

An appeal was received from F. A. C., formerly a member of Lodge No. —, appealing from the action of said Lodge in suspending him for gross unmasonic conduct, which was referred to the Committee on Appeals.

The Right Worshipful Grand Master announced that he had appointed Brother HOWARD FRANKLIN MARSH, a Past Master and Member of Lodge No. 317, at Wellsboro', a District Deputy Grand Master,

to fill the vacancy caused by the removal from the District of Brother WENTWORTH D. VEDDER, District Deputy Grand Master for the Seventeenth District.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 8 o'clock 45 minutes P.M.

*William A. Sinn*  
*Grand Secretary.*



# Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, July 26, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904.

### PRESENT:

Bro. GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR.	{	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master, Acting R. W. Grand Master.</i>
“ GEORGE B. ORLADY . . .	{	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden, Acting R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
“ JOHN L. KINSEY . . .	{	<i>Acting R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
“ HIBBERT P. JOHN . . .	{	<i>Acting R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
“ GEORGE E. WAGNER . . .	{	<i>R. W. Past Grand Master, Acting R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ WILLIAM A. SINN . . .		<i>R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ JOHN A. PERRY . . .		<i>Deputy Grand Secretary.</i>
“ WILLIAM J. KELLY . . .	{	<i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
“ GEORGE E. WAGNER . . .		
“ EDGAR A. TENNIS . . .		
“ JOHN W. LANSINGER . . .	{	<i>D. D. Grand Masters.</i>
“ WILLIAM L. GORGAS . . .		
“ ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . .		
“ CHARLES S. VANDEGRIFT . . .		
“ WILLIAM D. WHITE . . .		
“ JOHN D. GOFF . . .		
“ WILLIAM H. MAXWELL . . .		

Bro. CHARLES H. BOND . . . .	}	<i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
“ GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN, D.D. . . . .		
“ SAMUEL P. KELLY . . . .		
“ J. HENRY WILLIAMS . . . .		<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
“ JOHN D. GOFF . . . .		<i>As Junior Grand Deacon.</i>
“ THOMAS S. STOUT . . . .	}	<i>Grand Stewards.</i>
“ CHARLES K. BEECHER . . . .		
“ GEORGE B. WELLS . . . .		<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
“ GEORGE J. VANDEGRIFT . . . .		<i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
“ CHARLES S. BAIR . . . .		<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
“ SAMUEL W. WRAY . . . .		<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

Thirty-two Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in due form at 12 o'clock 20 minutes P.M.







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*Charles M. Swain*

*R. W. Junior Grand Warden,  
1904.*



## In Memoriam.

Acting Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR., addressed Grand Lodge as follows, and announced that Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden Brother CHARLES M. SWAIN, of Montgomery Lodge, No. 19, died on the 23d day of July, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904:

### BRETHREN OF THE GRAND LODGE:

A shade of sadness and sorrow pervades this assemblage, and on each unvoiced lip the words Brother CHARLES M. SWAIN—"dead." A simple word, but oh! its meaning, carries with it thoughts of the past, the present, and the future. It is therefore meet and proper that when such a Brother passes away from the duties of life that those who knew and loved him and fully appreciated his noble and generous qualities should meet and leave some record of their appreciation.

We are assembled to-day to pay a tribute of respect to the memory of Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden Brother CHARLES M. SWAIN, whose life was a beautiful picture—full of acts of kindness to his fellow-men. It was an open book that those who run might read.

What remarkable incidents have taken place in this Grand Lodge recently! Twice this year have we met to mourn our loss. First, Past Grand Master

DAY, and now, Right Worshipful Brother SWAIN. Just one year ago both of these Brethren paid tribute to the memory of Past Grand Master Brother PERKINS. Not in the recollection of any Brother present have the official ranks of this Grand Lodge been so depleted. But five living Past Grand Masters, and our Official Staff severed.

I have never attempted to pay tribute to a Brother for whom I had greater admiration and respect—possessing all the qualities that make a good man and a good Mason. Sincere, affectionate, devoted to his Brethren, and this Grand Lodge never conferred honor upon any Brother who appreciated it more than Brother SWAIN.

Having reached the goal of his ambition, he is suddenly taken away; not even permitted to enjoy its privileges. God bless his memory. Peace be to his ashes.

“What is life? What is death? O life! an age to the miserable and a moment to the happy. Life is what we find it. Living is what we make it; dying as we meet it, and the fully ripe fruit of all is the remembrance of the dead by the living.”

The Masonic Burial Service was then performed.

Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM J. KELLY addressed Grand Lodge as follows:



RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER AND BRETH-  
REN :

When word came to me of the death of Brother CHARLES M. SWAIN, I felt dazed at the suddenness with which death came to him, and yet I was not without fear that it would reach him at any moment during the whole of last year. I feel dazed yet at the immensity of our loss and at the very great personal affliction caused me by his passing away. The genuineness of his Masonry in feeling and in practice cannot be doubted and therefore cannot be disputed, but I take him on the score of his manhood, largely born, perhaps, of his association with this Fraternity and which was so clear and bright that I cannot help but put on record my appreciation of it.

He seems to have prescribed an accurate rule of life, most agreeable to reason and to our nature, most conducive to our welfare and content, tending to procure each man's private good and to promote the public benefit of all, by the strict observance whereof we bring our human nature to a resemblance of the Divine. He adopted by intuition the precepts by which our religion regulates our behavior toward our neighbors and Brethren, and what can be imagined so good and useful as those that the Gospel affords. It enjoins us sincerely and tenderly to love one another; earnestly to delight in each other's good; heartily to sympathize with all the evils and sorrows of our Brethren, readily affording them all the help and comfort we are able; willingly to part with our substance and pleasure for

their benefit and relief, not confining this, our charity, to particular friends and relations, but, in conformity with the boundless goodness of God, extending it to all. It requires us mutually to bear with one another's infirmities, mildly to resent and freely to remit all injuries; retains no grudge and executes no revenge, but requiting our enemies with good wishes and good deeds.

Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother EDGAR A. TENNIS addressed Grand Lodge as follows:

"'Tis Nature's command and man's duty to mourn," and we have been called upon in the Masonic Fraternity of Pennsylvania to heed this command and to discharge this duty with swift and oft-recurring emphasis during the past year—since no less than four Grand Officers have been taken from us who presided over the counsels and guided the administration of the affairs of this extensive and important Jurisdiction.

We shall see them no more among us; their records are complete, their labors and responsibilities are ended, but the impress of their lives will live long after eulogistic words are forgotten.

The rejoicing of the Brethren who loved him well upon the election and installation of Brother SWAIN has been stilled in the presence of death; he to whom we looked forward with so much expectation in the



government of this Grand Lodge has been taken from us almost without warning.

Our hopes and anticipations have been turned into sorrow, and we only can lament our loss and submit to the decree of the Grand Master of the Universe, who does all things for the best.

In all his Masonic life Brother SWAIN was diligent, and discharged every duty with competence and efficiency; in council he was wise and prudent; in his dealings with the Brethren, most obliging and affable; faithful in all things and true to the last is the simple story of a life which will be long remembered for unexampled force and purity, and an impelling incentive to goodness.

Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER addressed Grand Lodge as follows:

It was my good fortune to have known Brother CHARLES M. SWAIN for many years. I always found him a most genial Brother, democratic in his views and in his bearing toward his fellows, unostentatious and without display. During his career as a Mason, since 1883, he was in active service. In 1884 he became a member of the Grand Lodge, was an instructor in the School of Instruction in the same year, and its president in 1885-1886. He was also, at various times, one of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, a member of the Board of Trustees holding the title to the Masonic Temple and other real

estate, and a member of the Committee on Finance. He also served as Junior Grand Deacon in 1887, and Senior Grand Deacon in 1888, 1889, and in 1901, 1902, and 1903, and was elected Junior Grand Warden in December, 1903.

Every position that he was called to he filled with benefit to the Fraternity and credit to himself, and in his death the Grand Lodge loses one who will be missed for many years, and the Brethren lose a most pleasant companion who walked among them for twenty-one years as a Brother, a gentleman, and a manly man.

Brother JOHN L. KINSEY, Senior Grand Deacon, addressed Grand Lodge as follows:

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER AND BRETH-  
REN OF GRAND LODGE:

Truly with sad but certain frequency has the Death Angel of late hovered over this Grand Lodge. Often have we been summoned to gather here in solemn session to pay a parting tribute to our beloved dead, but rarely have we been thus called to mourn one who deserves so much from us as is demanded of this occasion. The death of CHARLES M. SWAIN brings great loss to this Fraternity, as well as keen personal sorrow to every one who knew him intimately. He was a man imbued with the highest Masonic attributes, and moved only by the noblest sentiments. Possessed of wealth ample to have actuated one less worthy to become arrogant, he nevertheless remained always the same quiet, unostentatious character, simple in his



method and manner of life, of modest and retiring habit, and within whose influence one ever felt the inspiring exaltation that comes from the presence of unalloyed sincerity. His voice was subdued and vibrant as his soul, with human sympathy. His greeting one that was ever winsome, and he was endowed with a magnetism that if you saw beside him a vacant chair, you were drawn to it, to share for the while the genial companionship that his individuality evinced for those toward whom his affections went out. Generous, too, was he, in every action, to serve either by willing feet or open palm, and pervaded always by a warm regard for the welfare of all his fellow-beings. Never indifferent to duty, and gentle as a child, he was yet valorous and aggressive when the issue might require it. It was some little while after I first met him before our acquaintance ripened into a full friendship, for the reason, perhaps, that he was tardy to obtrude himself into new relationships either from diffidence or because regard with him was of slow growth. During many of the pleasant jaunts in the line of Masonic duty which we were accustomed to take throughout the State, by the invitation of the preceding Past Grand Master, it was my good fortune to come to know him quite closely, and I was led to feel to a degree that he had accepted me into the circle of those whom he held to be near to him. Of course he knew that he was living in the shadow of a malady, a shaft from which might fall upon him at any moment without monition. Sometimes in the morning, after a night

of travel in the cars, when he would arise weary and weak, from his stricken health, evidenced more by appearance than by any utterance, he has said to me, "I feel that I am afflicted in a way that at any time may prove fatal;" and yet this was not spoken in any tone of reproach, and was tinged only slightly, if at all, with submissive disappointment that a career which promised such increasing interest and usefulness was to be cut off midway in its course, for he was facing steadily the approach of the inevitable, but yet calmly and with a fortitude intrepid and superb. The greatest gratification of his life was, perhaps, his election to the Junior Grand Wardenship of this honorable body, as after that election he stated to me: "If I had failed this time, I never should have tried again. I felt that from my years of devotion to Freemasonry that I should like this distinction be mine ere aught else happened." There is much, yes, very much, that could be said concerning the manly qualities of our departed Brother, but which must be excluded by the limitations of this brief hour. Nevertheless, I am glad to have had this opportunity to say even a humble word of respect as to the loss of such a noble man, whose loss is leaving earth the emptier by his absence. "Farewell, my Brother" can never have in it a deeper meaning than when the acacia falls into the cold gloom of his lonely grave. So long as memory wears for us its fadeless amaranthine wreath of perfect fraternal love, so long shall the name of CHARLES M. SWAIN remain with us in kindest recollection.



Brother J. HENRY WILLIAMS, Past Master of Lodge No. 59, addressed Grand Lodge as follows :

“’Tis ever wrong to say a good man dies,” he has but

“Gone before to that unknown and Silent Shore.”

When we define death, in the common acceptation of the term, how true those words are to us who are taught and believe in the immortality of the soul.

After all, what is death but the closing of a door upon one state of existence and opening it to another—we do but step across the threshold from mortality to immortality.

’Tis said, “The dead govern the living”—not true in the visible material forms, but how striking in the spiritual sense,—in the sweet fragrant memory of kind words spoken ; of good deeds done.

Our good Brother SWAIN—and how can he be better named—has, it is true, passed from us in the body, and while to-day we mourn—as mortals we must—his apparent, to us, untimely departure, we rejoice that he has reached the goal of immortality, perpetual and eternal rest ; and we are happy in the thought that his was a life to produce the unalloyed joys of eternity.

Quiet, mild, unobtrusive was he, and while many less gifted may, by sheer force and push of self-interest, have distanced him in the race for the accomplishment

of earthly ambitions, yet—to the reflective mind—his was, and is, the greater victory.

Well will it be for the Craft if such as he receive, as he has now received, the comforting and satisfying message, “Well done, good and faithful” one.

Brother GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN, Grand Chaplain, addressed Grand Lodge as follows :

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER AND BRETH-  
REN :

This is an occasion that stirs the emotions of the heart and quickens every moral sense. A loved and cherished Brother has left his place among us, and we are alone and sad to reflect upon our ways that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

How fearful are the inroads of death. It is a subtle and mystical fact that no man has ever expounded and never will; it is a cloud that hangs over us as we ascend the mountain of life, producing most profound and sad impressions. It may be that it has a silver lining, but still the ascent is gloomy, though we may be cheered by the truth that God is Light and in Him there is no darkness at all. The problem of human life can only be unfolded by the Infinite.

CHARLES M. SWAIN, Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden, died, aged fifty-four years, in the prime of life. It has been well said that he was a manly man. What more could be said? He was sympathetic, thoughtful, patient, and true in his social, fraternal, and commercial relations, notwithstanding



that he bore cares not ordinary. He inherited material value, but this was increased by his financial ability, and therefore he became prominent in influential circles. He was an honor to the Masonic Fraternity.

As we go from this place to pay our last tribute of respect in the solemnities of the burial rites, let us carry with us the assurance that we shall meet hereafter in the great fraternity in the general assembly of a perfect, immortal, and eternal life.

Right Worshipful Grand Secretary Brother WILLIAM A. SINN addressed Grand Lodge as follows :

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER AND BRETH-  
REN :

I did not come here to-day expecting to make any remarks, but I feel that I cannot let the opportunity pass of paying a small tribute of respect to the memory of my dear friend and Brother. It is hard to realize that he is dead. It seems that he must be here with us, a daily companion, moving along with the same even tread and temperament, with a kind word for every one, wearing a smile and scattering sunshine in his pathway.

Brother CHARLES M. SWAIN and myself being members of the same Lodge, old "Montgomery, No. 19," I have had many opportunities in past years of judging of his noble and sterling qualities. He was

a true, faithful, and zealous Mason, one whose private, social, and Masonic virtues and characters made him a subject of universal commendation and general esteem.

Right Worshipful Grand Master, there is no one on the floor of this Grand Lodge to-day who feels more deeply the loss we have all sustained than I do. He was a good man, a good citizen, and a true and loyal Freemason. He has passed away, never more to return, and as we reverently chant "God rest his soul in peace," let us find consolation in the beautiful thought, "There is no death, what seems so is transition." His life remains to us a memory of an earnest, generous, and beloved Brother.

The Acting Right Worshipful Grand Master, Brother GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR., stated that the absence of Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother JAMES W. BROWN was caused by sickness in Canada.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 1 o'clock 20 minutes P.M.

*William A. Sinn*  
*Grand Secretary.*



# Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, September 7, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904.

### PRESENT:

Bro. JAMES W. BROWN . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
" GEORGE B. ORLADY . . .	{ <i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden, Acting R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
" JOHN L. KINSEY . . .	
" GEORGE W. GUTHRIE . . .	{ <i>Acting R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
" WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG	
" WILLIAM A. SINN . . .	<i>Acting R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
" JOHN A. PERRY . . .	<i>Acting R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
" WILLIAM J. KELLY . . .	{ <i>R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
" GEORGE E. WAGNER . . .	
" EDGAR A. TENNIS . . .	
" JOHN W. LANSINGER . . .	{ <i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
" WILLIAM L. GORGAS . . .	
" DAVID H. WEAVER . . .	
" THADDEUS S. ADLE . . .	{ <i>D. D. Grand Masters.</i>
" CHARLES S. VANDEGRIFT .	
" WILLIAM M. SEMPLE . . .	
" JOHN J. HITTLE . . .	
" MATTHEW M. MACMILLAN	
" THOMAS F. WELLS . . .	
" EZRA C. DOTY . . .	
" WILLIAM F. CULLIS . . .	

Bro. ADRIAN W. MCCOY . . . .	}	<i>D. D. Grand Masters.</i>
" WILLIAM B. MEREDITH . . . .		
" JAMES W. McDOWELL . . . .		
" JOHN D. CARR . . . . .		
" JAMES H. MUSSINA . . . .		
" JOHN W. FARNSWORTH . . . .		
" JOHN D. GOFF . . . . .		
" SAMUEL HAMILTON . . . .		
" WILLIAM H. MAXWELL . . . .	}	<i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
" RICHARD H. WHARTON . . . .		
" GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN, D.D. . . . .		
" SAMUEL P. KELLY . . . .		
" SIMON B. CAMERON . . . .		<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
" THOMAS S. STOUT . . . .		<i>Junior Grand Deacon.</i>
" ALFRED E. BURNAFORD . . . .	}	<i>Grand Stewards.</i>
" FRANCESCO B. GILBERT . . . .		
" GEORGE B. WELLS . . . .		<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" GEORGE J. VANDEGRIFT . . . .		<i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
" WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS . . . .		<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" SAMUEL W. WRAY . . . .		<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

One hundred and thirty-seven Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 7 o'clock P.M.

Copies of proposed By-Laws and proposed Amendments to By-Laws were received from a number of Lodges and referred to the Committee on By-Laws.

A communication was received from Lodge No. —, requesting Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from W. H. L. a fourth petition, when, on motion, it was

*Resolved*, That Grand Lodge grant Lodge No. — permission to receive from the said W. H. L. an application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership.



A communication was received from Lodge No. —, requesting Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from B. T. A. an application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

## REPORT OF RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND SECRETARY.

The Right Worshipful Grand Secretary made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons :*

The Grand Secretary herewith presents his annual report of the membership and the number of Lodges in this Masonic Jurisdiction for the year ending December 27, A.D. 1903, A.L. 5903.

Number of Lodges December 27, 1902	.	.	440	
Lodges constituted during the year 1903	.	.	7	
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Number of Lodges December 27, 1903	.	.	447	
Membership of Lodges December 27, 1902	.			63,097
Admitted during the year 1903	.	.	747	
Initiated during the year 1903	.	.	5,841	
				— 6,588
				— 69,685
Suspended and expelled during 1903	.	.	449	
Resigned during 1903	.	.	447	
Deceased during 1903	.	.	1,083	
				— 1,979
				—

Membership December 27, 1903 . . .	67,706
Membership December 27, 1902 . . .	63,097
Net increase during the year 1903 . . .	4,609

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

WILLIAM A. SINN,  
*Grand Secretary.*

PHILADELPHIA, September 7, 1904.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

The Committee on Appeals made the following report, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted :

PHILADELPHIA, September 7, 1904, A.L. 5904.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons :*

The Committee on Appeals, to which was referred the appeal of Brother W. J. F., P.M., from the action of Lodge No. —, F. and A. M., respectfully report as follows :

It appears from the transcript of the proceedings of the Lodge that on September 9, 1903, Brother F., the appellant presented charges of unmasonic conduct against Brother J. L. L., a Master Mason, and a member and Secretary of Lodge No. —.

The charges and specifications were in due form, and set forth acts which, if true, show that the defendant had been guilty of improper conduct in his office as Secretary.

The charges were referred to a Trial Committee, which, after hearing the evidence, found the defendant guilty on seven of the specifications, not guilty on three, and " guilty as to violation of Section 4, Article III., of the By-laws and not guilty of detailed specifications relating thereto."

Up to this point the proceedings in the Lodge and before the Trial Committee were regular.

It appears, however, that when the report of the Trial Committee was presented in the Lodge, the Worshipful Master,



through some misconception of his duty, refused to permit the charges, or the notes of the evidence taken before the Trial Committee, to be read to the Lodge; and although he did permit a friend of the defendant to speak in his behalf, he refused to permit any Brother to address the Lodge in support of the report of the Trial Committee, or to read or repeat the evidence upon which its findings were based.

Upon a ballot being taken, the resolution recommended by the Trial Committee was lost, and thereupon this appeal was taken.

The course pursued by the Worshipful Master was irregular and incompatible with justice.

The Grand Lodge has been compelled on two or three recent occasions to instruct Lodges that to condemn a Brother without giving him an opportunity of a full and free hearing before the Brethren in the open Lodge is essentially unjust to him and cannot be sustained. It is equally unjust to the Lodge, however, to permit the acquittal of a Brother under charges of unmasonic conduct by refusing to permit the Brethren present to be fully informed of the charges and specifications and of the evidence in support of them produced before the Trial Committee.

While the Grand Lodge has, without hesitation, refused to sustain the expulsion of a Brother from his Lodge, no matter how serious the charges against him, where the action was taken without giving him an opportunity to be fully heard in the open Lodge, either in person or through a Brother selected by him for that purpose, because of the injustice necessarily involved in the condemnation of a Brother without a hearing, it will just as firmly reverse the action of a Lodge in refusing to punish a Brother charged with unmasonic conduct when the action was taken without the charges and the evidence in support of them being read, or even explained, to the Lodge.

The charges and specifications must always be read to the Lodge before final action is taken. Of course, there may be cases, as for instance where the facts are undisputed, when it will be unnecessary, unless specially called for, to read the evidence

at length ; but even then if a Brother desires to read, or to have read, the evidence, or any part of it, and to comment on it in a proper manner, it must be permitted.

In no other way can justice be done, both to the defendant and to the Fraternity.

We must be just and merciful to a Brother, but we must also be just and faithful to the Fraternity ; we must not condemn a Brother without a full hearing, but we must also not, by the suppression of charges and evidence, secure the retention in our midst of an unworthy Brother.

The charges against the defendant allege conduct by him in his office of Secretary of the Lodge which was clearly unmasonic.

If the charges were true, the defendant had been for years in the habit of drawing money from the treasury to pay Grand Lodge dues, and failing to pay it over for many months thereafter, thereby placing the Lodge in default and exposing it to discredit ; of receiving money for the Lodge and failing to pay it forthwith to the Treasurer ; and of receiving dues from members and failing to credit them with the payment or to pay the money over to the Treasurer, thereby affecting their standing in the Lodge and exposing them to suspension.

A faithful Secretary might, through mistake or oversight, do an occasional act of the character charged and be guilty only of a fault of memory ; but the regular and continued commissions of such acts, in the manner set forth in the charges and specifications, is evidence of a dishonest purpose.

The Secretary of a Lodge is not the proper custodian of its money ; he is merely a conduit ; his duty is simply to receive the money and *forthwith* pay it over either to the Treasurer of the Lodge or the person entitled to receive it from the Lodge. If he receives money belonging to the Lodge and retains it beyond the time when it should have been paid over to the proper person, he is guilty of unmasonic conduct ; if he uses it for his own purposes, even though he intends, and does make it good, he is guilty of dishonest conduct.

If, therefore, these charges were true, the defendant was clearly guilty of unmasonic conduct.



The action of the Worshipful Master in refusing to permit the specifications and evidence to be read, or stated, to the Lodge made it impossible for the Lodge to act intelligently.

Your Committee therefore respectfully offers the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the appeal of Brother W. J. F. be sustained and the action of Lodge No. —, F. and A. M., be set aside, and that the proceedings be referred back, with directions to proceed according to the rules herein laid down, due notice of the time of action being given to the defendant.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,

*For the Committee.*

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

The Committee on Appeals made the following report, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted :

PHILADELPHIA, September 7, 1904, A.L. 5904.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania :*

In the matter of the appeal of F. A. C., late a member of Lodge No. —, from the action of said Lodge in suspending him from membership. The Committee on Appeals, to which was referred this Appeal from the action of Lodge No. —, respectfully report :

That at a meeting of the Committee held on Thursday, July 14, 1904, the appellant was present with his counsel. The Lodge was also represented by the Chairman of the Trial Committee and another Brother member of the Lodge, but the complainant, the Brother who preferred the charges against the appellant did not attend. Your Committee carefully considered the subject of the appeal, and feel satisfied that if the Brother who preferred the charges had been more patient and considerate and the appellant restrained the natural impulse to resent what he considered the unreasonable persistency of the complainant, the

peace and harmony of the Lodge would not have been disturbed, nor the Grand Lodge called upon to determine a proceeding too trivial to have been brought to its notice. Unfortunately, the words of King Solomon, that "He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city," were entirely forgotten, and both Brethren, the complainant and appellant, engaged in an unseemly altercation in the Lodge-room, and used language toward each other unworthy of Brothers in Masonry, we are sure now regretted by them. It is unnecessary to repeat the unkind and intemperate language employed by these Brothers toward each other prior to the opening of the Lodge. The impatience of one toward the very natural and reasonable request of the other for a month's delay in reporting as a member of an Examining Committee unfortunately provoked the use by him of passionate, intemperate, and threatening language toward the Brother desirous of an immediate report by the Committee. This of course led to an equally exasperating reply by him. And here the altercation and dispute ended, but subsequently led to the charge of gross unmasonic conduct being preferred by one Brother against the other.

The first specification of the charge is that the appellant assailed the character of the complainant and threatened him with bodily injury in the presence of several members in the Lodge-room. And the second specification is that complainant had reason to believe that after leaving the lodge-room the appellant revealed to the profane what had taken place, and thereby has tried to injure the standing of complainant in the community.

This last specification was entirely abandoned, for no evidence was offered in its support before the Trial Committee. The Committee, however, found the appellant guilty of the first specification, not guilty upon the second specification, but guilty upon the charge, and recommended that he be suspended from the Lodge.

The report and resolution recommended by the Committee was unanimously adopted by the Lodge, and Brother F. A. C. was declared suspended from the Lodge.



It will be thus observed that Brother C. was suspended for unmasonic conduct.

From an examination of the testimony it is apparent that the so-called unmasonic conduct consisted of an exhibition of passion and threat of personal violence to the complainant if he alleged or insinuated that the appellant was untruthful. No act of violence was committed by the appellant, and his threat to punish the complainant soon exhausted itself, for immediately thereafter appellant took his station as Junior Warden and the Lodge was duly opened.

The action of the Lodge in suspending the appellant for the cause mentioned was ill advised and unwarranted, for while his behavior toward the complainant was wanting in fraternal kindness and good feeling, yet it was to a certain extent excusable, and non-deserving the severe penalty imposed. Moreover, it was overlooked by the Lodge that the appellant did not commit that which is termed a Masonic offence. It was decided by the Grand Lodge (see Proceedings of 1890, page 85; Ahiman Rezon, page 191) that making threats is not a Masonic offence.

In this case the language employed by appellant was not an absolute but a conditioned threat, and was after the complainant had imputed to him a want of veracity, which naturally provoked and led appellant, upon the impulse of the moment, to use language unbecoming his intercourse with his Masonic Brethren.

The record also shows, and it was admitted by the representative of the Lodge, that grave omissions and irregularities occurred not alone before the Trial Committee, but in the Lodge when final action was had upon its report, and which would justify setting aside the action of the Lodge. But these need not be referred to in detail. It is sufficient, in the judgment of your Committee, that appellant was found guilty of that which is not a Masonic offence, and therefore improperly suspended. They accordingly recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the appeal of F. A. C. from the action of Lodge No. — be sustained, and he be restored to good Masonic standing and membership in said Lodge.

Fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee on Appeals, by

WILLIAM B. HANNA.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.

The Committee on By-laws made the following report, and the resolutions attached thereto were adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons :*

Your Committee on By-Laws respectfully report that they have examined the By-Laws and Amendments to By-Laws referred to them, and offer the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-Laws of Lodges Nos. 342 and 512 be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-Laws of Lodge No. 186 be amended as follows :

Article X., Section 2.—By adding the words “and the whole amount paid for life-membership.”

And that as so amended they be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-Laws of Lodge No. 274 be amended as follows :

Article V., Section 1.—By striking out the words “except as hereinafter provided.”

Article V., Section 2.—By striking out in the third line all after “\$5.”

Article V., Section 3.—By striking out the entire section.

Article XI., Section 1.—By striking out the words “in the penal sum of \$—.”

And that as so amended they be approved.



*Resolved*, That the proposed By-Laws of Lodge No. 277 be amended as follows :

Article VI.—By striking out the words “or a vote of the Lodge.”

And that as so amended they be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-Laws of Lodge No. 300 be amended as follows :

Article III., Section 2.—By striking out the words “shall be paid a commission of one-half of one per cent. on all moneys paid out by him during each year and.”

And that as so amended they be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-Laws of Lodge No. 375 be amended as follows :

Article VI., Section 1.—By striking out the words “by vote of the Lodge or.”

Article VI., Section 3.—By striking out all after the word “any.”

Article VII., Section 3.—By striking out the entire section, and numbering the following section accordingly.

Article XII., Section 2.—By striking out the words “their successors and assigns.”

And that as so amended they be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Lodges Nos. 246, 470, 498, and 630 be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Lodge No. 283, with the exception of Article VI., be approved, and that the proposed Amendment to Article VI. be not approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Lodge No 487 be returned to the Lodge for revision.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Lodge No. 603 be approved with the exception of Article VI., Section 1, and that it be amended by striking out the words "by vote of the Lodge or."

And that as so amended it be approved.

Fraternally submitted,

CHARLES CARY,  
JAMES S. BARBER,  
CHARLES F. WIGNALL,  
SYLVESTER S. GARWOOD,  
*Committee on By-Laws.*

PHILADELPHIA, September 7, 1904.

A communication was read from W. J. B., formerly a member of late Lodge No.—, requesting Grand Lodge to restore him to good Masonic standing. He having paid to Grand Lodge the amount of his arrears to late Lodge No.—, it was, on motion,

*Resolved*, That his request be granted.

A petition was received for a Warrant for a new Lodge to be held at Marienville, Forest County, Pennsylvania, which was, on motion, referred to the Grand Officers with power to act.

The following telegram from the Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master was read:

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, September 6, 1904.

JAMES W. BROWN,

Masonic Temple, Philadelphia:

Greetings from Pacific coast. Regretting inability to be present.

(Signed) GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR.



Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother JAMES W. BROWN addressed Grand Lodge as follows :

Brethren, to-night we miss the presence of one who but a short time ago was with us in fairly good health and with much assurance of continuing to meet with us in Communications of Grand Lodge, but alas, we know not what a day may bring forth, for "in the midst of life we are in death." Brother CHARLES M. SWAIN, Junior Grand Warden of this Grand Lodge, passed through the gates into Eternity on July 23 last.

He faithfully served Grand Lodge in many positions, and at the Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge in December last was elevated to the station of Junior Grand Warden.

Grand Lodge has lost a valuable officer, the Fraternity of this Jurisdiction a wise counsellor and good Mason, and many of us a faithful friend.

At my request, Brother ALEXANDER H. MORGAN, Past Master of Montgomery Lodge, No. 19, of this city, of which Brother SWAIN was a valued member, has prepared an "In Memoriam," which he will now present to you.

## In Memoriam.

Brother ALEXANDER H. MORGAN, Past Master of Montgomery Lodge, No. 19, addressed Grand Lodge as follows :

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER :

In compliance with your desire that I should prepare and read to Grand Lodge a Memoriam of the life, character, and Masonic career of our late Brother, CHARLES M. SWAIN, I submit to the Grand Lodge a brief memoir of our deceased Brother, so far as my physical condition will permit.

CHARLES MOSELY SWAIN was born in the city of Philadelphia, July 7, 1849. He was the son of WILLIAM M. SWAIN, one of the founders of the *Public Ledger*, a newspaper famous in the annals of modern journalism. The son, of more liberal education than the father, chose the practice of the law for his profession. He studied four years in the law office of SAMUEL HOOD, of this city, and was admitted to the Philadelphia bar in the year 1871. Having inherited large financial means, he soon became active as a director in railways, insurance, electric light, and national banking companies, and in the year 1886 was elected President of the City Trust, Safe Deposit, and Surety Company, which under his intelligent and careful management has become one of our most reliable and important financial institutions. He served as a member of City Councils from the Twenty-seventh Ward, where he was a large property owner, from 1896



to 1902, when, finding that the duties of Councilman were, combined with his numerous business engagements, too exacting, he resigned. Perhaps his life would have been prolonged had he never entered into the wear and tear of public life.

He was entered in Montgomery Lodge, No. 19, March 1, 1883, passed to the degree of a Fellow Craft April 5, raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason May 3, 1883, and immediately begun an active, useful, prominent Masonic career. He was elected Junior Warden of Montgomery Lodge, No. 19, in December, 1883; Senior Warden in 1884; Worshipful Master in 1885; and at the request of the Worshipful Master presided at the centennial celebration of his Lodge held January 5, 1887, and delivered the address of welcome to the Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and those of other Jurisdictions present. The honorary degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred upon him; he was received and accepted a Most Excellent Master in Columbia Chapter, No. 91, April 21, 1886; and was exalted to the supreme degree of Holy Royal Arch on the 19th day of May, 1886.

Unlike too many of our Masonic Brethren who are content with a mere perfunctory performance of the duties of the chairs and repeat what is taught them without knowledge of its meaning, Brother SWAIN, upon his election to the station of Junior Warden of his Lodge, applied himself to the study of the origin and history of Ancient Craft Masonry, and was soon proficient in the knowledge necessary to a proper

comprehension of the Landmarks of the Fraternity. About the time of his becoming a member of the Grand Lodge, schools of instruction were being formed for the purpose of relieving the Grand Officers of those onerous duties. The superior knowledge which he had acquired was the cause of his selection as an instructor of the Temple School of Instruction. He was made president of the school, serving during 1885 and 1886, and elected an honorary member when other duties prevented his continuance in active service. His first appointment as an officer in the Grand Lodge was that of Junior Grand Deacon in 1887, Senior Grand Deacon in 1888-89, and in 1901; also Commissioner of the Sinking Fund, Trustee of Grand Lodge property, and a member of the Committee on Finance. All those appointments carried with them certain duties of more or less responsibility, and it is needless to say they were faithfully executed. To comply with your obligation is as binding in the minor as in the higher positions, and the conscientious Brother never deviates from the strict line of duty. At the Quarterly Communication held December 2, 1903, Brother CHARLES M. SWAIN was elected Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. He was installed into office on St. John's Day, December 28, 1903. He was at his station in Grand Lodge at the March and June Communications, 1904; he died July 23, 1904. In the history of this Grand Lodge we find the names of four Grand Masters who were arrested by death during their terms of office: JOHN K. MITCHELL, installed December, 1857, died



April, 1858, less than four months' service; JOHN L. GODDARD, installed December, 1866, died July 17, 1867; J. MADISON PORTER, about one year of service; and Brother HENRY W. WILLIAMS who died within one month after taking his seat in the Oriental chair of Grand Lodge.

While in later years the Jewels almost constantly encased in the sombre covering remind the Brethren that death had again invaded the Corinthian Hall and seized upon its Grand Officers. Who could have believed, or even thought, in December last, when listening to his brief and modest words of thanks to the Brethren for the great honor conferred upon him, that in this September Communication, less than eight months after his election, we should be eulogizing his memory, instead of hearing his responses to the Right Worshipful Grand Master at the opening and closing of the Grand Lodge. A melancholy confirmation of the oft-repeated quotation, "Death is no respecter of persons." In speaking to the memory of departed friends and Brethren we are apt to indulge in extravagant eulogies, forgetting in our sorrow that he was a man and that perfection never walked this earth in human form but once, and then it was Divinity encased in human mould. It is not pretended that our late Brother CHARLES M. SWAIN was devoid of the failings to which all men are in more or less degree subject, but I think I can truly and without exaggeration apply to him the description of character made many years ago by one of the purest and most touching of the old English poets: "And

e'en his failings leaned to virtue's side." Of mild, unobtrusive manners, he was not wanting in the energetic firmness necessary to one engaged in and carrying the responsibilities of many financial enterprises. One of those quiet men who often make their way to success against a noisy and apparently insurmountable opposition, and if he had been spared to preside over the Grand Lodge would have fully equalled all the requirements of that high position, as Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania and Masonic Jurisdiction Thereunto Belonging.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge, in the sudden demise of our lamented Junior Grand Warden we are again confronted with the "uncertainty of life, and the certainty of death;" shall we not heed the warning? It may come upon us in the silent watches of the night, or in the broad glare of the noonday sun. With each throb of the heart, with each beat of the pulse, a human being ceases to exist; a life goes out; a soul wings its way to eternity. Death will assert his irresistible power. But if we have been true to the obligations nature imposes alike upon the high and the low, the rich and the poor, true to God, to our Brethren, and ourselves; if the Great Light of Freemasonry has been our guide, then the approach of the dread messenger can be met calmly and without fear. And answering the summons of the great Grand Master above, we may present the work done in this life, as good work, true work, worthy a place in that everlasting Temple, where we shall again meet our loved ones, and the soul shall dwell in an endless immortality.



Brothers and companions, hear  
 The warning; meet it without fear.  
 If your duty you have done,  
 The Master's station fairly won,  
 Enter through the open portal,  
 Seated in the Lodge immortal,  
 From care and sorrow ever free,  
 Rest to all eternity.

*Resolved*, That in the sudden and unexpected death of Brother CHARLES M. SWAIN, late Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, the Fraternity has been deprived of the services of a useful and devoted Brother, one who in his personal character was an example of the qualities demanded of those who are associated in the work of the Craft, or in the dissemination of the true principles and Landmarks of Freemasonry. His frank, open disposition, mild, unassuming manners endeared him to his Masonic Brethren and to all to whom he was known, socially or in business, and the expression of sorrow at his sudden death has been as general in the community as in the Fraternity of which he was an honored member.

*Resolved*, That in testimony of regret at the great loss sustained by the death of Brother CHARLES M. SWAIN, the Stations and Jewels of Grand Lodge be draped in mourning for the space of six months.

*Resolved*, That these resolutions be entered on the minutes of this Communication of Grand Lodge, and that a copy be engrossed and sent to the family of the deceased.

On motion of Right Worshipful Past Grand Master, Brother WILLIAM J. KELLY, it was

*Resolved*, That one thousand copies of the "In Memoriam" to the late Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden, Brother CHARLES M. SWAIN, be printed and a copy sent to each Subordinate Lodge in this Jurisdiction and to each Grand Lodge with which this Grand Lodge is in fraternal correspondence.

The Right Worshipful Grand Master announced that the absence of Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer Brother THOMAS R. PATTON was caused by his illness at home.

Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM J. KELLY offered the following, which was unanimously adopted :

*Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge receives the announcement made by the Right Worshipful Grand Master of the serious illness of the Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer, Brother THOMAS R. PATTON, with feelings of profound sadness, and we desire to convey to him our sympathy, coupled with the earnest prayer that he may soon be restored to good health and be permitted to be active with us again.

*Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer Brother THOMAS R. PATTON by the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary.

On motion of Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON, it was

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Printing and Publishing be directed to have the portrait of our late Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden, Brother CHARLES M. SWAIN, engraved for publication with the proceedings of Grand Lodge of 1904.

Brother WILLIAM C. BLELOCH, Past Master of Rising Star Lodge, No. 126, addressed Grand Lodge, and, on behalf of said Lodge, presented a life-size oil-



painting of the late Right Worshipful Past Grand Master, Brother MICHAEL ARNOLD, who was a Past Master and member of Rising Star Lodge, No. 126.

The Right Worshipful Grand Master, in accepting the painting, said,—

Brother BLELOCH, I appreciate the noble thought which has prompted your Lodge to perpetuate the memory of one whom the officers and members of Grand Lodge have held in high esteem and fraternal love.

On behalf of Grand Lodge I hereby accept the generous offering of your Lodge, and beg you to assure the Brethren thereof that it will receive a proper place in this beautiful Temple, and be cared for by those who in life were his dearest friends, and in death his sincerest mourners, reciprocating to the fullest degree the sentiments of affection and love which you have so beautifully expressed on this occasion.

The Right Worshipful Grand Master addressed Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM J. KELLY, Chairman of the Committee on Temple, as follows :

Grand Lodge having just been presented with this portrait of our late Brother MICHAEL ARNOLD, Right Worshipful Past Grand Master, I now transfer it to your Committee, the duly constituted custodians of this magnificent Temple, to give it a proper place in a suitable space set aside for that purpose, with the hope that it may be preserved as an enduring memento of one we all so greatly esteemed and whose memory we now cherish.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 8 o'clock 30 minutes P.M.

*William A. Sinn*  
*Grand Secretary.*

# Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, October 5, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904.

### PRESENT:

Bro. JAMES W. BROWN . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
" GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
" GEORGE B. ORLADY . . .	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
" JOHN L. KINSEY . . .	{ <i>Acting R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
" THOMAS R. PATTON . . .	
" WILLIAM A. SINN . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
" JOHN A. PERRY . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
" WILLIAM J. KELLY . . .	{ <i>Deputy Grand Secretary.</i>
" EDGAR A. TENNIS . . .	
" JOHN W. LANSINGER . . .	{ <i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
" THADDEUS S. ADLE . . .	
" ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . .	
" CHARLES S. VANDEGRIFT . . .	
" WILLIAM D. WHITE . . .	
" JAMES WILSON PIATT . . .	
" JAMES H. MUSSINA . . .	
" JOHN D. GOFF . . .	
" WILLIAM H. MAXWELL . . .	{ <i>D. D. Grand Masters.</i>
" JAMES W. ROBINS, D.D. . .	
" J. GRAY BOLTON, D.D. . .	
" WILLIAM B. CHALFANT, D.D. . . . . .	
" CHARLES H. BOND . . .	{ <i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
" GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN, D.D. . . . . .	
" J. P. W. BLATTENBERGER, D.D. . . . . .	



BRO. HIBBERT P. JOHN . . .	<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
" THOMAS S. STOUT . . .	<i>Junior Grand Deacon.</i>
" CHARLES K. BEECHER . . .	} <i>Grand Stewards.</i>
" WILLIAM L. RAEDER . . .	
" GEORGE B. WELLS . . .	<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" GEORGE J. VANDEGRIFT .	<i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
" CHARLES S. BAIR . . .	<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" SAMUEL W. WRAY . . .	<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

Fifty-six Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 12 o'clock  
5 minutes P.M.

### In Memoriam.

Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother JAMES W. BROWN addressed Grand Lodge as follows :

We are assembled once more as the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to pay the last tribute to a Past Grand Master.

Death has laid a heavy hand upon the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania during the past two years. In that time we have mourned for Past Grand Master Brother MICHAEL ARNOLD, Past Grand Master Brother SAMUEL C. PERKINS, Past Grand Master Brother CONRAD B. DAY, and Junior Grand Warden Brother CHARLES M. SWAIN, and to-day we mourn Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER.

Succeeding Grand Master Brother HENRY W. WILLIAMS upon his death, he acted as Grand Master for the remainder of the year, eleven months. The two succeeding years he was elected and served as Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania.

It was my privilege to serve as an Officer of the Grand Lodge during those three years, and to be brought into close contact and relationship with Brother WAGNER during that period, when my feelings for him ripened from fraternal regard to personal affection and admiration. I was deeply impressed with his courtesy and kindness and consideration for every one with whom his duties as Grand Master brought him in con-



tact. Wise and just, lenient and considerate, he never forgot the dignity and responsibility of his office.

Could I as ably fulfil the duties of the office during my term I would be satisfied.

He died Saturday, September 30, 1904, at low twelve. He leaves only a memory, but it is the memory of a just and upright man, a conscientious citizen, a brave soldier, and a loyal and faithful servant of Freemasonry.

The Masonic Burial Service was then performed.

Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR., addressed Grand Lodge as follows :

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER :

In looking over this assemblage I am impressed and appalled at the absence of Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER.

There is not within these tiled doors a Brother who can recall the time when Brother WAGNER was absent from the meetings of this Grand Lodge. And now that his eyes are closed in death, we will not have the pleasure of sitting with him again. We shall meet—but we shall miss him. There will be a void in this Grand Body which it will be hard to fill.

Many of you who were present at our last sorrowful meeting can recall his acting as Grand Treasurer, rising in his place and paying an eloquent tribute to

the memory of our late Junior Grand Warden, Brother CHARLES M. SWAIN. And what a strange coincidence that he should follow so closely in the footsteps of his predecessor, Past Grand Master Brother CONRAD B. DAY, who occupied the position as Chairman of the Committee on Finance, succeeded by Brother WAGNER.

Stricken as he was—almost instantly—in the busy pursuits of life, and how applicable it seems, “in the midst of life we are in death.” The wisest cannot know what a day may bring forth. We live but to see those we love passing away into the Silent Land. Think of these Brethren, who but a few days since were among us in all the pride and power of life. Bring to your mind the remembrance of their wisdom, strength, and beauty, and then reflect, to this complexion have they come at last. Think of yourselves; thus will you be when the lamp of your brief existence has burned out. Think how soon death for you will be a reality. Man’s life is like a flower, which blooms to-day, to-morrow is faded, cast aside, and trodden under foot. Oh, Brethren, our lives are filled with sorrow and sadness, and yet we are told, “Let not your heart be troubled.” They fall so thick and fast, we ask ourselves the questions, Why? and Who next?

It was my privilege to know Brother WAGNER for a period of at least thirty years. He was firm in conviction, genial in disposition, and kind in temperament. A good citizen, a courageous soldier, a devout Mason. Charitable, kind, genial, loving, and affectionate. He was beloved, respected, and admired by all



who knew him, possessing all the traits that go to make up a good man and a good Mason. He has left a bright and glowing record which we might strive to emulate.

I want to drop just one little sprig among the many wreaths that will cover his bier :

“ Life is a count of losses,  
     Every year.  
 For the weak are heavier crosses,  
     Every year.  
 Last Spring with sobs replying  
 Unto weary Autumn’s sighing,  
 While those we love are dying  
     Every year.

“ To the past go more dead faces,  
     Every year.  
 As the loved ones leave vacant places  
     Every year.  
 Everywhere the sad eyes meet us,  
 In the evening’s dusk they greet us,  
 And to come to them entreat us  
     Every year.”

Right Worshipful Senior Grand . Warden  
 Brother GEORGE B. ORLADY addressed Grand  
 Lodge as follows :

I have been antagonistically intimate with the subject of this service for twenty-five years. While thrown frequently with him, I have rarely been in sympathy with the objects he advocated. I have studied his character at short range, and have many

reasons for appreciating the strength of his personality. He was a strong, manly character. While mild and suave in manner, he was forceful in asserting his convictions, and he urged in a most persuasive way what he believed to be right. When the question of his personal friendship was involved, there was no policy in his conduct. He simply recognized his duty to his friendship and its representative man, and bent every energy to aid that friend, or to accomplish the purpose of that friend's ambition.

The intimate associates of Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER have just reason to be proud of their relation to him. He wielded a potent influence in this Body, more on account of what he was than an account of what he attempted to accomplish. He was an absolutely clean man. There was no dissimulation, or pretence or veneer in his make-up. No man was ever in any doubt as to any position he concluded to take, and no man was misled by any word he uttered. He stood for and represented to the world the highest type of fraternal manliness as urged by this Body. He was true, faithful, honest, and he exemplified to the world at large the fundamental tenets of our Fraternity in the betterment and advancement of humanity.

As a citizen, he was so loyal to his convictions of duty that he offered himself a sacrifice on his country's altar as a soldier in the Civil War, and bore the marks of his honorable service to the day of his death. In the domestic relations of husband and father he acquitted himself so that those holding that sacred relation



ever spoke of him in terms of endearment and sincere affection.

As chief executive of this Fraternity, he administered its affairs in a fearless and conscientious way. He adhered strenuously to the Ancient Landmarks, and rigorously opposed any innovation. He believed in the law as laid down by the fathers, and administered it according to his best judgment. In consultation in the many boards and tribunals with which he was actively identified, his judgment was recognized as of special value, because he never arrived at a conclusion until he had fully investigated every phase of each case and applied to the resultant facts the deliberate judgment of an honest man.

His loss to this body is best appreciated by those who have been in closest relation to him ; because he never sought to impress his own name on any proposition that brought him prominently into the foreground. It is exceptional for a man of his strong personality and almost dogmatic judgment to combine the rare virtues of modesty to the degree he did ; he was always willing to have others receive the credit of good works and to take a minor place in the announcement of deliberative action.

He has lived his life and served his term, and those who knew him best, and have been brought within the circle of his influence, will cheerfully concur in the statement that he advanced the cause of the Fraternity in a dignified and forceful life, and exhibited to the world a magnificent example of a manly man in fraternal relations.

I heartily join in all that has been said in commendation of him in every relation in which he was identified.

Acting Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden Brother JOHN L. KINSEY addressed Grand Lodge as follows:

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER AND MY BRETHREN OF GRAND LODGE:

It would almost seem as though these columns were not again to be divested of their robes of mourning. Call after call has been going forth to those who are first in rank and most honored in the service, and who one by one are leaving those illustrious places vacant, as well as bringing deprivation to this Grand Body of wise counsel and sure guidance.

But a few months ago he in whose memory we mournfully now assemble was upon this floor tendering his tribute of regard to a departed Brother, in ceremonies similar to these; and how emphatically is forced upon us the inevitable fact of the frailty of this transient life, that this ceaseless outflow of time is bearing us also steadily downward on its ebbing tide toward the open sea that has no shore.

It was not my proud pleasure to have known Brother WAGNER as closely as many others, and yet in the many relations in which we were brought together conspicuously impressive were the traits of highest manhood, and the noblest of Masonic virtues; and such not assumed merely under the solemn auspices of the Lodge-room,



but which he bore with him out into the active hours of life, where the selfish motives of men were in sharpest conflict. Never, do I believe, did he forsake these or any of the principles which he absorbed here, and hence was it a cause of wonder that he was one of the most austere and rigid, that the minor matters of the law should not be neglected, in the care and discharge of those of weightier import. Yet with all this insistence upon the execution of perfect form, nevertheless, withal there was a spirit of kindliness and warm human charity and gentle toleration for accidental error, but never for careless indifference.

Every precept of the sacred volume resting upon that altar was for him the light and guidance of his life. The lessons imparted here were to him belief and dogma, and Hope led him trustingly forward toward that veiled mystery that lies beyond, and into the portals of which he has now forever passed.

In this lessening of the circle of the elders who occupy that alcove in the East we are suffering great loss and depreciation. Let us who are left the more firmly determine that we shall dedicate our best energy to our common cause, and may God grant that the dark Angel who has been so long poised over us and casting upon us its chill shadow may now for the while pass by.

Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM J. KELLY addressed Grand Lodge as follows, and by request expressed the regrets of Most Worshipful Past Grand Master

Brother JOSIAH W. EWAN, of New Jersey, at being unable to be present and speak for himself:

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER :

The sadness that I feel to-day at being called upon to give testimony of another of our deceased Past Grand Masters is heightened and deepened by the frequency of which we have been called upon to officiate.

In the death of Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER the Fraternity in this Jurisdiction loses a valuable member. His Masonry was of the highest type and his industry in the lines of his duty to the Fraternity has been for many years phenomenal.

The community loses in him a valuable citizen, one whose innate honesty was of such character and degree as to be unquestioned, whose intelligence was of the quick order that would enable him to do the right thing at the right time, and whose honesty of purpose and manliness of character were such as to create confidence in the community, as well as this Fraternity, that is seldom attained.

GEORGE E. WAGNER was a manly man in every sense of the term, indulgent to the errors of others, careful within himself to do nothing except that which would meet the highest approval, and he became such an example as could not help doing good because it *was* good.

Personally we were the warmest friends. I delighted to consult him in all matters upon which I had



any doubt, with the conviction on my part that what he would advise would certainly be what he meant thoroughly and completely, and he never failed to give me assistance. I most deeply regret his loss.

Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother EDGAR A. TENNIS addressed Grand Lodge as follows:

Our sad experience for the past eighteen months is strikingly impressive and amazingly sudden. That we should mourn the departure of five Grand Officers in one short year and a half, and reduce the number of Past Grand Masters in this large Jurisdiction to four, is sad to contemplate and much to be regretted.

How inscrutable are the ways of Providence. How impressive a lesson to all of us, who saw Brother WAGNER, as it were, but yesterday, taking part in our deliberations, and evincing as ever his love for and zeal in the prosperity of our noble Institution.

How uncertain is life; how fleeting and transitory all human expectations; we shall miss him greatly, his faithful attendance, his careful watch over the labors of Lodge and Grand Lodge, his strict integrity and honesty of purpose, his kindly disposition, his fatherly care and advice for the younger members, are the legacies he leaves to us, while thoughtful, tearful words are the flowers we lay upon his grave.

While silent his tongue, cold indeed his brow, and stilled forever the heart which so recently beat in uni-

son with ours, yet his words and deeds come to us now like the voice of his spirit from the tomb. He was a good citizen, a self-made and an honest man.

Brother WAGNER was a working Mason and wholly sincere in his devotion to the Fraternity. There he rose by his work, as is the aim of our Institution, gradually reaching its highest honors because of a conviction in the minds and hearts of his Brethren that he was worthy. With him Masonry was no idle fancy ; he labored for it in season and out, and the labor was one of disinterested love ; he had so engrafted its principles upon his heart that they became a living faith, and as he felt them deeply and sincerely, so he sought to teach and impress them upon others.

Our ceremonies he regarded as sacred, too ancient to be violated, too solemn to be treated with levity. He knew that "there was but a step from the sublime to the ridiculous," and never at any time in his long years of usefulness in Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter was he known to trifle with any of the principles, Landmarks, Usages, or Customs of the Craft.

He held them inviolate, and could not treat them with levity himself, nor permit others so to treat them. In truth, no soldier of the cross ever exposed a braver breast or nobler heart to the warriors of Saladin than did our lamented Brother to the foes of our Brotherhood.

It is difficult to realize that he is dead. How can we look upon the familiar places which have known him so long, now, alas ! to know him no more forever,



without emotions of the most profound and expressive character. The suddenness of his death admonishes us all of life's uncertainty.

We who weep to-day may be wept for to-morrow. We sorrow to-day, and our affliction is great, but in God's Providence let us remember :

“The path of sorrow, and that path alone,  
Leads to the land where sorrow is unknown.”

The memory of Brother WAGNER is precious. We will write his name in our hearts.

Brother WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG, Past Master of Lodge No. 246, addressed Grand Lodge as follows:

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER :

The sorrowful hand of Death has again come to our fold, we are once more sorely stricken—one by one our leaders are called to their final home. Another summons has taken from our rapidly diminishing and distinguished veterans a valued friend and dearly beloved Brother, Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER, whose benign presence for the last quarter of a century was rarely if ever missed from our regular gatherings, whose voice was ever ready in maintaining our Landmarks and the true principles of Freemasonry, whose best thoughts and labors were given to the welfare of the Craft. He was known to a vast number of this immense body of Masons, and I venture the asser-

tion that he was personally acquainted with by far the largest portion of the Brethren who assembled at its Communications, from whom by his sterling qualities he commanded their respect, love, and esteem. The members of this Grand Lodge, with confidence in his ability, conferred upon him the highest honors in their gift, besides having been called by the sad and untimely death of his predecessor, the Right Worshipful Grand Master, Brother HENRY W. WILLIAMS, immediately following his installation, to complete the first year of that official term. His administration was noted for a strict observance of ancient traditional Masonry ; while his decisions and edicts were marked by a rigid and firm adherence to Masonic Law and the Ahiman Rezon of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, they were tempered with fairness and justice in protecting the privileges of the Subordinate Lodges and the rights of the members of the Craft. He devoted valuable time, patience, and energy to its numerous duties, and never weakened in his guardianship and watchfulness of the large and varied cares attendant upon the office. Without the slightest thought of lessening the fervor and fidelity of those distinguished Brethren who preceded him in that exalted station, it is quite proper for me to say that none retired from the Chair with more credit and honor than our deceased Brother. After his long official term of service he never flagged in his devotion to the interests of Grand Lodge ; his voice was always ready in counselling its affairs with well-matured thoughts and with a fully defined pur-



pose, besides rendering valuable service on important committees.

Although a very young man at the outbreak of the unfortunate Civil War, loyalty to our country, with his patriotic spirit, quickly led him into the ranks of its honored defenders; he soon rose to the position of lieutenant colonel, during which time he displayed conspicuous gallantry and courage; he carried the scars of his soldier life to his grave; it may be quite probable the wound he received in battle, which of late years caused him much suffering, partially hastened his early death. The home life of one possessed of the highest standard of manhood must naturally be of the most affectionate and happiest kind; such was that of our Brother WAGNER. With his high moral character, sound thought, and superior qualifications he was well fitted for business life, in which he gained the confidence and admiration of his numerous associates, as well as of the business community. Regarded as an authority in every principle and detail of his particular branch and of other commercial interests, he was frequently selected to occupy high and responsible positions of trust in the administration of varied affairs and in the settlement of intricate and important matters. He was a man with an amiable disposition, warm and sincere in love and friendship for his fellow-man, firm in rightful convictions, but always free from bigotry, prejudice, or guile, he combined in his well-spent life the character of a true Mason and a model man.

Brother PETER BOYD, Past Master of Lodge No. 368, addressed Grand Lodge as follows:

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER:

There are occasions when the very suddenness of the shock of death takes from us the power of expression, and the sorrow of bereavement strikes the heart dumb; when the mind seeks for some way to accustom itself to the thought that the friend is no longer here, but there, that he no longer is, but in the sad language of time must ever hereafter be spoken of as one that was; when we seek for comfort in repeating his name until the name itself from mere repetition grows strange, and all things, even the lumbering roll of the wagons and the customary and common sounds of the street, seem so touched with the mysterious that our thought lingers upon them with dull absorbing interest until they die away in the distance and leave us once more alone with our grief. Such an occasion is this. The swinging gates flew open so quickly, the cup was pressed to his lips so suddenly, that it is with difficulty that we realize that we shall see his strong, pure face no more, no longer feel the pressure of his kindly hand, nor hear his voice welcome us in the old familiar way. As we wait here for the approach of the hour when we shall perform at his grave the last sad rites of the Craft, we almost seem to see him, in the brave submissiveness of his great heart, enter without fear the shadowy halls of the immortal dead, there to take his silent place with the noble and faithful that are



waiting to receive him. And a great cry goes up that his mantle might fall upon us, that the torch of Masonry that he carried might be handed to us, that its light undimmed might be passed on by us to others when the great summons sounds in our ears, so that it may continue to shine with unimpaired brilliancy until it shall merge in the Great Light from which it had its source, when all lodges of time and space shall meet at the last assize in the Grand Lodge above. Farewell, my Brother ; we shall go to you—you can no more come to us. As the sun begins to set in the western sky to-day, when we are laying your mortal part due East and West in the small and narrow house, we will not sorrow as those who have no hope. We will take comfort to ourselves, inasmuch as it was written of old, when God created the world, that He made the evening and the morning to constitute the full and complete day, so that all men might know that when the evening of life draws on it is but the beginning of the eternal day, when all the sad farewells of earth shall be exchanged for the glad All Hail of Heaven, and the sorrow of parting shall be at an end at last and forever.

The Grand Secretary read the following telegrams :

“ WILMINGTON, DELAWARE, October 5, 1904.

“ MR. JAMES W. BROWN, *Right Worshipful Grand Master of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania :*

“ The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Delaware, A. F. and A. M., in Annual Communication, has heard

with sorrow of the death of Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER, Past Grand Master of Pennsylvania, and extends to your Grand Lodge and his family its sympathy in this hour of bereavement.

“CHARLES H. MAULL,  
“*Grand Master.*”

“CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, October 4, 1904.

“WILLIAM A. SINN, *Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania:*

“Kindly convey to the Right Worshipful Grand Master and Grand Lodge my sincere regrets at being unable to be present and offer a tribute of respect and affection to the memory of our well-beloved Brother Past Grand Master GEORGE E. WAGNER.

(Signed) “J. HENRY WILLIAMS.”

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 1 o'clock 15 minutes P.M.

*William A. Sinn*  
*Grand Secretary.*



# Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, December 7, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904.

### PRESENT:

Bro. JAMES W. BROWN . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
“ GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
“ GEORGE B. ORLADY . . .	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
“ JOHN L. KINSEY . . .	{ <i>Acting R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG . . .	
“ WILLIAM A. SINN . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ JOHN A. PERRY . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ SAMUEL B. DICK . . .	{ <i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
“ MATTHIAS H. HENDERSON . . .	
“ WILLIAM J. KELLY . . .	
“ EDGAR A. TENNIS . . .	
“ JOHN W. LANSINGER . . .	
“ WILLIAM L. GORGAS . . .	
“ SAMUEL M. GOODYEAR . . .	
“ GEORGE H. SHIRK . . .	
“ DAVID H. WEAVER . . .	{ <i>D. D. Grand Masters.</i>
“ THADDEUS S. ADLE . . .	
“ ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . .	
“ CHARLES S. VANDEGRIFT . . .	
“ WILLIAM H. SEMPLE . . .	
“ JOHN J. HITTLE . . .	
“ MATTHEW M. MACMILLAN . . .	
“ WILLIAM D. WHITE . . .	
“ THOMAS F. WELLS . . .	

Bro. WILLIAM H. HULSIZER . . .	
“ WILLIAM J. DAY . . .	
“ JAMES W. PIATT . . .	
“ JAMES A. PUGH . . .	
“ BOYD G. STEEL . . .	
“ WILSON I. FLEMING . . .	
“ SOLOMON R. DRESSER . . .	
“ WILLIAM F. CULLIS . . .	
“ DAVID A. SAWDEY . . .	
“ ADRIAN W. MCCOY . . .	
“ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH . . .	
“ WILLIAM M. HAMILTON . . .	
“ JAMES W. MCDOWELL . . .	} <i>D. D. Grand Masters.</i>
“ JOHN S. SELL . . .	
“ JOHN D. CARR . . .	
“ GEORGE H. QUAILL . . .	
“ JAMES H. MUSSINA . . .	
“ WILLIAM L. JOHNSTON . . .	
“ JOHN W. FARNSWORTH . . .	
“ JOHN D. GOFF . . .	
“ FRANK C. O'ROURKE . . .	
“ SAMUEL HAMILTON . . .	
“ WILLIAM S. DAUGHERTY . . .	
“ WILLIAM H. MAXWELL . . .	
“ JOHN J. JONES . . .	
“ RICHARD E. COCHRAN . . .	
“ JAMES W. ROBINS, D.D. . . .	
“ CHARLES M. STOCK, D.D. . . .	
“ J. GRAY BOLTON, D.D. . . .	
“ WILLIAM B. CHALFANT, D.D. . . .	} <i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
“ CHARLES H. BOND . . .	
“ GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN, D.D. . . .	
“ JOHN P. NORMAN . . .	
“ JOHN P. W. BLATTENBERGER, D.D. . . .	
“ SAMUEL P. KELLY . . .	
“ HIBBERT P. JOHN . . .	<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
“ SIMON B. CAMERON . . .	<i>Junior Grand Deacon.</i>



Bro. ALFRED E. BURNAFORD .	}	<i>Grand Stewards.</i>
" FRANCESCO B. GILBERT .		
" WILLIAM J. DIEHL . . .		<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" DAVID S. COLLINGWOOD .		<i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
" CHARLES S. BAIR . . .		<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" SAMUEL W. WRAY . . .		<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

Four hundred and nine Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 10 o'clock, A.M.

Brother JAMES A. WETMORE, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, was pleased to visit Grand Lodge, and was received with the customary honors.

This being the time prescribed by the Ahiman Rezon for the election of Grand Officers to serve during the ensuing Masonic year beginning on St. John the Evangelist's Day next, the Right Worshipful Grand Master was pleased to appoint tellers, who having reported, he declared the following Brethren duly elected :

*R. W. Grand Master.*

Brother JAMES W. BROWN.

*R. W. Deputy Grand Master.*

Brother GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR.

*R. W. Senior Grand Warden.*

Brother GEORGE B. ORLADY.

*R. W. Junior Grand Warden.*

Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE.

*R. W. Grand Treasurer.*

Brother THOMAS R. PATTON.

*R. W. Grand Secretary.*

Brother WILLIAM A. SINN.

Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM J. KELLY offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted by a standing vote :

*Resolved*, That this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge desires to transmit, with affection and loving remembrance, to Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer Brother THOMAS R. PATTON, its feeling of sympathy for him in his continued affliction, and it is the earnest brotherly hope that he may soon recover his health and be present with us again.

Copies of proposed By-Laws and proposed Amendments to By-Laws were received and referred to the Committee on By-Laws.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from G. W. M. an application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting Grand Lodge to remove the expulsion of A. L. W., expelled June 25, 1901, which was, on motion, refused.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting Grand Lodge to grant it permission to



receive from W. L. C. a second application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from C. F. K. a second application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from A. F. P. H. an application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from G. W. P. an application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GRAND LODGE CHARITY FUND.

The Trustees of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

PHILADELPHIA, November 15, 1904.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons :*

The Trustees of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund respectfully submit this their report for the fiscal year ending November 15, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904.

## GENERAL ACCOUNT.

## DR.

1903.		
Nov. 15.	To balance as per last report	\$386.21
1904.		
Jan. 11.	To cash received from the R. W. Grand Lodge . . .	1200.00
Jan. 11.	To cash received from the R. W. Grand Treasurer, proportion of interest from Trust Company on deposits	27.12
March 10.	To cash interest due January 1, \$4000 Lehigh Valley Coal Company First Mort- gage Bonds . . . . .	\$100.00
March 10.	To cash interest due Febru- ary 1, \$500 United States War Loan, three per cent.	3.75
March 15.	To cash interest due March 1, \$73,000 Masonic Temple Loan, four per cent. . . .	1460.00
April 15.	To cash interest due April 1, \$300 Philadelphia Elec- tric Gold Trust, five per cent. . . . .	7.50
Sept. 12.	To cash interest due Sep- tember 1, \$73,000 Masonic Temple Loan, four per cent. . . . .	1460.00
Sept. 30.	To cash interest due July 1, \$4000 Lehigh Valley Coal Company, five per cent. . .	100.00
Sept. 30.	To cash interest due May, August, and November 1, \$500 United States War Loan, three per cent. . .	11.25



Sept. 30.	To cash interest May and November, Lehigh Valley R. R. Collateral Trust, five per cent., \$1000 . . .	50.00	
		<hr/>	3192.50
Sept. 30.	To interest credited on de- posits in Fidelity Trust Co.		21.87
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			\$4827.70

## DISBURSEMENTS.

## CR.

1904.

Jan. 26.	By cash paid Class No. 1 .	\$1600.00	
Jan. 26.	By cash paid for rent of box in Fidelity Trust Co.	15.00	
April 12.	By cash paid Almoners Class No. 2 . . . . .	800.00	
July 25.	By cash paid Almoners Class No. 3 . . . . .	800.00	
Oct. 4.	By cash paid Almoners Class No. 4 . . . . .	1600.00	
		<hr/>	4815.00
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			\$12,70

## THOMAS SINGLETON BEQUEST.

## DR.

1903.

Nov. 15.	To Balance as per last report		\$634.09
1904.			
May 9.	To cash received from Peter Boyd, Esq., attorney for collections of interest on ground rents and mort- gages . . . . .	\$315.56	
March 10.	To cash interest due January 1, \$3000 Lehigh Valley Coal Company First Mort- gage five per cent. . . .	75.00	

Sept. 30.	To cash interest \$7000 Lehigh Valley Mortgage and Collateral Trust five per cent. January and July .	350.00	
Sept. 30.	To cash interest \$3000 Lehigh Valley Coal Company First Mortgage five per cent. . . . .	75.00	
Oct. 31.	To cash received from Peter Boyd, Esq., attorney for collections of interest on ground rents and mortgages . . . . .	390.16	
Nov. 11.	To cash interest \$600 Electric and Peoples four per cent. due November 1 .	12.00	1217.72
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			\$1851.81

## CR.

1904.

Jan. 26.	By cash paid for \$600 Electric and Peoples four per cent. . . . .	604.50	
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	Balance cash account Singleton Bequest . . . . .	\$1247.31	
	Balance cash account General Fund . . . . .	12.70	
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	Balance in Fidelity Trust Company . . . . .	\$1260.01	

All securities are deposited in fire-proof vaults of the Fidelity Trust Company of Philadelphia, and are as follows:



## GENERAL ACCOUNT.

Name of Security.	Rate.	Par.	Cost.
Masonic Temple Redemption Loan	4	\$73,000.00	\$73,000.00
Lehigh Valley Coal Company First Mortgage . . . . .	5	4,000.00	4,313.75
Lehigh Valley R. R. Collat. Trust	5	1,000.00	1,097.50
Phila. and Electric Gold Trust .	5	300.00	300.75
United States War Loan . . .	3	500.00	500.00
		<u>\$78,800.00</u>	<u>\$79,212.00</u>
Cash balance in Fidelity Trust Company . . . . .		12.70	12.70
		<u>\$78,812.70</u>	<u>\$79,224.70</u>

## THOMAS SINGLETON BEQUEST.

Name of Security.	Rate.	Par.	Cost.
Electric and Peoples . . . . .	4	\$600.00	\$604.50
Lehigh Valley Coal Company First mortgage . . . . .	5	3,000.00	3,251.25
Lehigh Valley Mortgage and Col- lateral Trust . . . . .	5	7,000.00	7,683.50
		<u>\$10,600.00</u>	<u>\$11,539.25</u>
Ground rents in Philadelphia .		7,116.66	7,116.66
Mortgages in Philadelphia . .		7,716.67	7,716.67
		<u>\$25,433.33</u>	<u>\$26,372.58</u>
Cash balance in Fidelity Trust Company . . . . .		1,247.31	1,247.31
		<u>\$26,680.64</u>	<u>\$27,619.89</u>
Total securities General Fund .		78,812.70	79,224.70
		<u>\$105,493.34</u>	<u>\$106,844.59</u>

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. STEVENS,  
STOCKTON BATES,  
JOHN R. FANSHAWE,  
JESSE J. BARKER,  
STEPHEN GREENE,

*Trustees of Grand Lodge Charity Fund.*

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GIRARD BEQUEST.

The Trustees of the Girard Bequest made the following report, when, on motion, the resolution attached thereto was adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania :*

The Trustees of the Girard Bequest respectfully report that they have received during the fiscal year ending November 15, 1904 :

From Interest and Dividends on Investments	\$2643.25
“ “ on Deposits of Trustees . . .	22.17
“ “ “ “ Stewards . . .	27.13
“ Special Appropriation of Grand Lodge . . . . .	1200,00
	<hr/> \$3892.55
To which add balance November 15, 1903, as per Report of the Committee on Finance	250.68
	<hr/> \$4143.23

They have paid during the same period :

Orders for the use of the Stephen Girard Charity Fund . . . . .	\$2500.00
Paid for \$1000 Electric and Peoples Trac- tion four per cent. Gold Stock Trust Certificates, at 99½ and Commission \$2.50 . . . . .	997.50
Paid for rent of safe in Fidelity Trust Company . . . . .	5.00
	<hr/> 3502.50

Leaving a balance November 15, 1904, of \$640.73

on deposit in the Pennsylvania Company for Insurance on Lives and Granting Annuities.

Their accounts and the securities of the Trust have been examined by the Committee on Finance and found correct.



The total amount of the fund, at the par value of the securities, is \$64,900 per schedule annexed.

The annual income of the Fund, exclusive of interest on deposits, is about \$2700.

The Trustees recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars be, and the same is, appropriated to the Stewards of the Stephen Girard Charity Fund for the year ending December, 1905, to be drawn for in the usual manner.

The Trustees express their deep regret at the sudden death of Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER, late Chairman of the Trustees.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN L. THOMSON,  
ALEXANDER H. MORGAN,  
CHARLES K. FRANCIS,  
EDWARD PERRY,  
EDWARD B. SPENCER,

PHILADELPHIA, December 2, 1904.

*Trustees.*

#### SCHEDULE OF SECURITIES.

Par.	Interest Due.	Cost.
\$52,000 Masonic Temple Redemption Loan 4 per cent. (10 Certificates, Nos. 36 to 47, \$5000 each, and 2 Certificates, Nos. 186, 187, \$1000 each) . . .	March 1, Sept. 1.	\$52,050.00
8,000 Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company Gold Loan 4 per cent. . .	June 15, Dec. 15.	7,940.00

500 Continental Pass. Railway Company Stock, 6 per cent. .	Jan. 1, July 1.	1,030.00
1,000 Philadelphia and Reading Terminal 5 per cent. Bond .	Feb. 1, May 1, } Aug. 1, Nov. 1. }	1,027.50
1,250 Lehigh Coal and Nav. Co. Stock .	May 27, Nov. 27.	1,114.87
450 Pennsylvania Rail- road Co. Stock .	May 30, Nov. 30.	505.63
1,700 Electric and Peoples Traction Stock Trust Certificates 4's	April 1, Oct. 1.	1,501.50
<hr/> \$64,900		<hr/> \$65,169.50

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE THOMAS R. PATTON MEMORIAL CHARITY FUND.

The Trustees of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund made the following report, when, on motion, the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons :*

The Trustees of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund (which was founded by Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer Brother THOMAS R. PATTON, in memory of his beloved wife, ELLEN H. GRAHAM PATTON) respectfully report for the fiscal year ending with the 15th day of November, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904.

### INCOME ACCOUNT.—RECEIPTS.

1903.

Nov. 15.	To balance as per report . . . . .	\$510.16
Dec. 1.	To 6 mos. interest \$10,000 Schuylkill River East Side 5's . . . . .	250.00
Dec. 1.	To 6 mos. interest \$500 Citizens' Pass. Railway, Muncie, 6's . . . . .	15.00



1904.

Jan.	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$10,000 Lehigh Valley Railway 4½'s . . . . .	225.00
Jan.	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$2000 Wyoming Valley Coal 6's . . . . .	60.00
Jan.	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$4000 Baltimore & Ohio Prior Lien 3½'s . . . . .	70.00
Jan.	14.	To 6 mos. interest \$4500 Bond and Mortgage, Wayne, Penna., 5 per cent.	112.50
Jan.	21.	To Thos. R. Patton, Treasurer, Bursar's balance over from 1903 . . . . .	758.80
Feb.	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$10,000 N. Y. Gas & Electric L. H. & Power Co. 4's . . . .	200.00
Feb.	28.	To 6 mos. interest Bond and Mortgage \$1000 @ 5 per cent., 243, 245 Monroe Street . . . . .	25.00
Mar.	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$1000 Paterson & Passaic Gas & Electric 5's . . . . .	25.00
Mar.	16.	To 6 mos. interest \$5500 Bond & Mtge 1714 Columbia Ave., 4 $\frac{9}{16}$ per cent. . .	134.75
April	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$10,000 Electric & People's Traction 4's . . . . .	200.00
April	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$5000 Phila. & Erie R. R. Gen. Mtge 4's . . . . .	100.00
April	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$7000 Phila. Electric Gold Trust 5's . . . . .	175.00
April	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$10,000 Pittsburgh & Western R. Co. Receivers' Car Trust 5's	250.00
April	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$1000 Phila. & Reading R. R. 5's . . . . .	25.00
April	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$10,000 Baltimore & Ohio R. R. First Mtge 4's . . . . .	200.00
May	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$5000 Atlantic City R. R. 5's . . . . .	125.00
May	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$5000 Citizens' Street R. R., Indianapolis, 5's . . . . .	125.00
June	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$11,000 Schuylkill River East Side 4's . . . . .	220.00

June	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$500 Citizens' Street Railway, Muncie, 6's . . . . .	15.00
July	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$10,000 Lehigh Val- ley Railway 4½'s . . . . .	225.00
July	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$2000 Wyoming Val- ley Coal 6's . . . . .	60.00
July	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$4000 Baltimore & Ohio Prior Lien 3½'s . . . . .	70.00
July	1.	To 3 mos. interest \$6000 North. Pacific Prior Lien 4's . . . . .	60.00
July	15.	To 6 mos. interest \$4500 Bond and Mort- gage, Wayne, Penna., 5 per cent. . . . .	112.50
Aug.	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$10,000 New York Gas & Electric L. H. & P. Co. 4's . . . . .	200.00
Aug.	29.	To 6 mos. interest \$1000 Bond and Mortgage, 243, 245 Monroe Street, 5 per cent. . . . .	25.00
Sept.	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$1000 Paterson & Passaic G. & E. Co. 5's . . . . .	25.00
Sept.	26.	To 6 mos. interest \$5500 Bond and Mort- gage, 1714 Columbia Avenue, 4½ per cent. . . . .	123.75
Oct.	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$1000 Pittsburgh & Western R. Receivers' Car Trust 5's . . . . .	25.00
Oct.	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$1000 Phila. & Read- ing R. R. 5's . . . . .	25.00
Oct.	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$10,000 Baltimore & Ohio R. R. First Mtge 4's . . . . .	200.00
Oct.	1.	6 mos. interest \$5000 Phila. & Erie R. R. Gen. Mtge 4's . . . . .	100.00
Oct.	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$7000 Phila. Electric Gold 5's . . . . .	175.00
Oct.	1.	To 3 mos. interest \$6000 N. Pacific R. R. Prior Lien 4's . . . . .	60.00
Oct.	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$5000 Phila. & Read- ing Impt. 4's . . . . .	100.00
Oct.	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$10,000 Electric & People's Traction 4's . . . . .	200.00



Nov.	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$5000 Citizens' Street Railway, Indianapolis, 5's . . . . .	125.00
Nov.	1.	To 6 mos. interest \$5000 Atlantic City R. R. 5's . . . . .	125.00
Nov.	14.	To interest on deposit account Phila. Trust Co. . . . .	56.23
			<u>\$5913.69</u>

## PAYMENTS.

1904.

Jan.	2.	By amount of appropriation paid Thomas R. Patton, Treasurer of Bursars . . . . .	\$750.00
April	1.	By amount of appropriation paid Thomas R. Patton, Treasurer of Bursars . . . . .	750.00
July	1.	By amount of appropriation paid Thomas R. Patton, Treasurer of Bursars . . . . .	750.00
Aug.	11.	By amount transferred to principal ac- count by order of Trustees . . . . .	2000.00
Sept.	20.	By amount paid Philadelphia Trust, Safe Deposit and Insurance Company, one year's rent of safe . . . . .	15.00
Oct.	1.	By amount of appropriation paid Thomas R. Patton, Treasurer of Bursars . . . . .	750.00
Oct.	15.	By balance on Deposit with the Philadel- phia Trust, Safe Deposit and Insurance Company . . . . .	898.69
			<u>\$5913.69</u>

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. KELLY, R.W.P.G.M.,  
 PETER BOYD,  
 JAMES M. LAMBERTON,  
 EDMUND D. SCHOLEY,  
 THOMAS R. PATTON, JR.,

*Trustees.*

## PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

The securities of the Fund at the close of the fiscal year, November 15, 1903, consisted of securities and mortgages of the par value of \$101,500, which cost . . . . .		\$103,164.58
Uninvested cash balance . . . . .		265.00
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		\$103,429.58
Gain on \$10,000 East Side 5's redeemed Dec. 1, 1903 . . . . .		362.50
Amount transferred from Income Account Aug. 11, 1904 . . . . .		2,000.00
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		<u>\$105,792.08</u>

The Securities are as follows :

Par.	Interest Payable.	Cost.
\$10,000 Lehigh Valley Ry. 4½'s . . . . .	Jan. and July 1.	\$10,636.25
1,000 Paterson & Passaic G. & E. L. 5's . . . . .	Mar. and Sept. 1.	1,025.83
5,000 Phila. & Erie R. R. 4's . . . . .	Apr. and Oct. 1.	5,037.50
1,000 Phila. & Reading Ex. 5's . . . . .	Apr. and Oct. 1.	1,025.00
5,000 Atlantic City Ry. 5's . . . . .	May and Nov. 1.	5,387.50
5,000 Citizen's St. R. R., Indianapolis, 5's . . . . .	May and Nov. 1.	5,212.50
7,000 Phila. & Electric Gold Trust 5's . . . . .	Apr. and Oct. 1.	6,967.50
5,500 Bond and Mortgage, 1714 Columbia Ave., 4 $\frac{9}{16}$ per cent. . . . .	Mar. and Sept. 17.	5,500.00
4,500 Bond and Mortgage, Wayne, Delaware County, 5 per cent. . . . .	Jan. and July 15.	4,500.00



1,000 Bond and Mortgage, 243, 245 Monroe Street, 5 per cent.	Feb. and Aug. 28.	1,000.00
10,000 Electric & People's Pass. Ry. 4's .	Apr. and Oct. 1.	10,000.00
1,000 Pittsburgh & West- ern Receivers' Car Trust 5's . . .	Apr. and Oct. 1.	1,000.00
10,000 N. Y. Gas, Elec. L. H. & P. Co. 4's .	Feb. and Aug. 1.	10,000.00
10,000 Baltimore & Ohio R. R. First Mtge 4's .	Apr. and Oct. 1.	10,000.00
2,000 Wyoming Valley Coal Co. 6's . . . .	Jan. and July 1.	2,000.00
500 Citizens' St. Ry., Muncie, 6's . . .	June and Dec. 1.	500.00
4,000 Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Prior Lien 3½'s	Jan. and July 1.	3,735.00
11,000 Schuylkill River E. S. 4's . . . .	June and Dec. 1.	10,725.00
6,000 N. Pacific R. R. Prior Lien 4's . . . .	Jan. (Quarterly).	6,247.50
5,000 Phila. & Reading Impt. 4's . . . .	Apr. and Oct. 1.	5,222.50
<hr/> \$104,500		<hr/> \$105,722.08
Cash (uninvested) on deposit with the Philadelphia Trust, Safe Deposit and Insurance Company . . . .		70.00
		<hr/> \$105,792.08 <hr/>

The Trustees recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of three thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to the Bursars of the Thomas

R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund for the year ending St. John the Evangelist's Day, 1905, to be drawn for in the usual manner.

Respectfully submitted,

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PETER BOYD,  
JAMES M. LAMBERTON,  
EDMUND D. SCHOLEY,  
THOMAS R. PATTON, JR.,

*Trustees.*

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE STEPHEN TAYLOR BEQUEST.

The Trustees of the Stephen Taylor Bequest made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1904.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons :*

The Trustees of the Stephen Taylor Bequest submit the following report of their receipts for the year ending November 15, 1904, no disbursements having been made.

### RECEIPTS.

To balance on hand at last report . . . . .	\$906.48
To interest on investments . . . . .	610.00
To interest on deposits in West Philadelphia Title and Trust Company . . . . .	50.16
Balance on hand on deposit in West Philadelphia Title and Trust Company at three per cent. interest . . . . .	<u>\$1,566.64</u>



The investments are as follows :

### SECURITIES.

Bonds and Mortgages as follows :

Par Value.	Cost.
\$4000.00 on premises 513 S. 45th St.	\$4054.45
3500.00 on premises 1101 N. 42d St.	3535.00
2500.00 on premises 628 S. 52d St.	2500.00
2200.00 on premises 5212 Fitzwater St.	2200.00
	<hr/> \$12,289.45

Fraternally submitted,  
 HENRY Z. ZIEGLER,  
 SAMUEL W. WRAY,  
 THEODO E E. WIEDERSHEIM,  
 GEORGE W. HALL,  
 HENRY W. SMITH,

*Trustees.*

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE CHARLES JACKSON McCLARY MEMORIAL FUNDS.

The Trustees of the Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Funds made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons :*

The Trustees of the Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Funds respectfully report for the fiscal year ending with the 15th day of November, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904, as follows :

#### MEMORIAL FUND IN TRUST FOR MASONIC HOME.

##### PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.—RECEIPTS.

1904.

Jan. 11.	To principal sum received from Grand Lodge . . . . .	\$20,000.00
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July 19.	To amount transferred from income account .	510.00	
		<hr/>	\$20,510.00

## PAYMENTS.

1904.

July 19.	By cash paid for \$20,000 Philadelphia City three and a half per cent. loan of 1904 . . . . .		\$20,510.00
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## INCOME ACCOUNT.—RECEIPTS.

1904.

Jan. 11.	To amount received from Grand Lodge to be credited to income ac- count. . . . .	\$563.20	
July 19.	To amount received from Masonic Home to en- able the Trustees to make up cost of in- vestment in City of Philadelphia three and a half per cent. loan .	143.33	
July 19.	To amount of interest on certificate of deposit from Third National Bank . . . . .	306.67	
Nov. 15.	To interest on deposits in Pennsylvania Com- pany for Insurances on Lives, etc. . . . .	10.54	
		<hr/>	\$1,023.74

## PAYMENTS.

1904.

April 7.	By cash paid Masonic Home of Pennsylvania on account of income .	\$500.00	
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July 19.	By amount transferred to principal account at request of Masonic Home of Pennsylvania . . . .	510.00	
		<hr/>	1,010.00
	Balance on deposit in Pennsylvania Company for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities . . . .		\$13.74
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#### INVESTMENTS OF PRINCIPAL.

The securities of the Memorial Fund for the Masonic Home at the close of the fiscal year, November 15, 1904, consist of certificate No. 2 of the City of Philadelphia three and a half per cent. loan of 1904, principal payable January 1, 1934, par \$20,000, costing (with premium \$475 and accrued interest from July 1 to July 18, 1904, \$35) . . . .	\$20,510.00
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#### MEMORIAL FUND IN TRUST FOR ORPHAN CHILDREN.

##### PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.—RECEIPTS.

1904.

Jan. 11.	To amount of principal received from Grand Lodge . . . .	\$30,000.00
Jan. 11.	To amount transferred from income account to be added to principal in accordance with provisions of trust . . . .	840.10

July	19.	To amount transferred from income account to be added to principal in accordance with provisions of trust . . .	460.00	
Nov.	15.	To amount transferred from income account to be added to principal in accordance with provisions of trust . . .	21.61	
			<hr/>	\$31,321.71

## PAYMENTS.

1904.

July	19.	By cash paid for \$30,000 City of Philadelphia three and a half per cent. loan . . . . .	30,765.00	
		Balance on deposit in the Pennsylvania Company for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities .	\$556.71	
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## INCOME ACCOUNT.

1904.

Jan.	11.	To amount received from Grand Lodge to be credited to income account. . . . .	\$840.10	
July	19.	To interest received on certificate of deposit from Third National Bank. . . . .	460.00	
Nov.	15.	To interest on deposits in Pennsylvania Company for Insurances on Lives, etc. . . . .	21.61	
			<hr/>	\$1,321.71



## PAYMENTS.

1904.		
Jan.	11.	By amount transferred to Principal Account . \$840.10
Jan.	19.	By amount transferred to Principal Account . 460.00
Jan.	19.	By amount transferred to Principal Account . 21.61
		<hr/> \$1,321.71

## INVESTMENTS OF PRINCIPAL.

The securities of the Memorial Fund for Orphan Children at the close of the fiscal year, November 15, 1904, consist of the following:

Two certificates, one No. 3 for \$10,000 and the other No. 3 for \$20,000 of City of Philadelphia three and a half per cent. loan of 1904, prin- cipal payable January 1, 1934, cost- ing (with premium \$712.50 and accrued interest from July 1 to July 18, 1904, \$52.50) . . . . .		\$30,765.00
Cash on deposit in the Pennsylvania Company for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities . . . . .		556.71
		<hr/> \$31,321.71

In submitting the foregoing as their first report the Trustees desire to place on record their profound sorrow occasioned by the death of Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER, who as one of their number manifested a personal and deep interest in the Memorial Funds and gave

freely and generously of his time and services in attending to the duties pertaining to his office.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS R. PATTON,  
PETER BOYD,  
LOUIS WAGNER,  
EDWIN S. STEWART,

*Trustees.*

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance made the following report, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons :*

The Committee on Finance respectfully reports that it has examined the accounts and securities of the Trustees of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund, showing a balance on hand of the Thomas Singleton Bequest of \$1247.31, and of the Current Account of \$12.70 ; Trustees of the Girard Bequest, showing a balance on hand of \$640.73 ; Trustees of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund, showing a balance on hand of the Income Account of \$898.69, and of the Principal Account of \$70.00 ; Trustees of the Stephen Taylor Bequest, showing a balance on hand of \$1566.64 ; Trustees of the Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Funds, showing a balance on hand of the Masonic Home Bequest of \$13.74, and of the Bequest for the benefit of Orphan Children of \$556.71 ; the accounts and vouchers of the Committee on Library, which show a balance on hand of \$1541.48 ; the accounts and vouchers of the Committee on Temple, which show a balance on hand of the Current Expense Account of \$1487.50, and of the Improvement Account of \$10,133.25. The transactions of these Trusts and Committees will be fully set forth in their respective reports to Grand Lodge.

The Committee has also examined the books and vouchers



of the Grand Treasurer, Brother THOMAS R. PATTON, and of the Grand Secretary, Brother WILLIAM A. SINN, including the Ledger of the latter, which has been compared with the Balance Sheet submitted by him, and found to agree.

The books of the Grand Secretary, for the fiscal year ending November 15, 1904, show as follows:

#### RECEIPTS.

Masonic Rents . . . . .	\$38,935.00
Ten per cents. . . . .	11,364.50
Initiations . . . . .	11,512.00
Dues . . . . .	66,999.43
Dispensations, D. D. Grand Masters	\$31,480.00
Dispensations, Grand Secretary . . . . .	7,570.00
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	39,050.00
Warrants for new Lodges . . . . .	400.00
Committee on Temple, sale of old material . . . . .	17.86
Ahiman Rezons . . . . .	351.00
Grand Lodge Certificates . . . . .	240.00
Interest on Deposits . . . . .	876.52
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Total Receipts . . . . .	\$169,746.31
All of which has been paid to the Grand Treasurer, and his receipt taken therefor.	
To which add cash on hand November 15, 1903 . . . . .	64,716.38
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Making a total of . . . . .	\$234,462.69

#### PAYMENTS.

By Grand Treasurer on orders of Grand Master:	
Interest on Four per cent. Masonic Loan . . . . .	\$7,924.00
Expenses of Grand Master, including Instructor . . . . .	3,700.00
Expenses of District Deputy Grand Masters . . . . .	3,480.75
Expenses of Grand Lodge, including Printing and Publishing . . . . .	7,102.34

## Salaries :

Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, Deputy Grand Secretary, Grand Tyler, Private Sec- retary to Grand Master, Clerks to Grand Secretary, and Clerk to Committee on Finance	12,949.92
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## Committee on Temple :

Improvement Account . . .	\$94,000.00	
Current Account . . .	26,505.94	
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Committee on Library . . . . .	4,600.00
Committee on Correspondence . . . . .	500.00
Masonic Home . . . . .	1,000.00
Almoners of Grand Lodge Charity Fund . . . . .	1,200.00
Stewards of Stephen Girard Charity Fund . . . . .	1,200.00
Printing Ahiman Rezons . . . . .	133.50
Printing Grand Lodge Certificates . . . . .	71.00
Transient Relief . . . . .	100.00
Trustees of Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Funds . . . . .	51,403.30
Total Payments . . . . .	<hr/> \$215,870.75
Leaving a Cash balance on hand November 15, 1904	18,591.94
Making a total of . . . . .	<hr/> \$234,462.69

The accounts of the Grand Secretary, for the payment of Interest, show a balance due and uncalled for November 15, 1904 :

On the Six per cent. Loan . . . . .	\$9.00
On the Five per cent. Loan . . . . .	12.50
Total . . . . .	<hr/> \$21.50

The Committee have examined the Loan Ledger, the Transfer Book, and the Interest Account, and found them correct.

## FOUR PER CENT. MASONIC LOAN.

The Four per cent. Masonic Loan remains the same as per report of December 4, 1901,—\$198,100.



We present the following estimate of receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ending November 15, 1905.

#### ESTIMATED RECEIPTS.

Masonic Rents . . . . .	\$35,000.00
Ten per cents. . . . .	7,500.00
Initiations . . . . .	7,500.00
Dues . . . . .	60,000.00
Dispensations . . . . .	25,000.00
Estimated Total Receipts . . . . .	<u>\$135,000.00</u>

#### ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES.

Interest on Four per cent. Loan . . . . .	\$7,924.00
Expenses of Grand Master, including \$1000 for an Instructor in Masonic Work . . . . .	4,000.00
Expenses of D. D. Grand Masters . . . . .	3,500.00
Expenses of Grand Lodge, including Printing and Publishing . . . . .	6,500.00

#### Salaries as follows :

Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, Deputy Grand Secretary, Three Clerks to Grand Secretary, Clerk to Committee on Finance, Private Secretary to Grand Master, Grand Tyler, and contingencies, subject to order of Committee on Finance . . . . .	14,300.00
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#### Committee on Temple, Current Expense Account :

Salaries of Supervisor, Superintendent, Engineer, Carpenter, Night Watchman, Night Watch- man and Elevator Attendant, Two Firemen, Five Laborers, Five Cleaners, and One Hat- rack Man . . . . .	12,684.44
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## Current Expenses as follows :

Electric Light . . . . .	\$8,000.00	
Gas . . . . .	50.00	
Ice . . . . .	275.00	
Supplies . . . . .	800.00	
Repairs . . . . .	800.00	
Cleaning Windows, etc. . . . .	477.00	
Telephone . . . . .	250.00	
Water Rent . . . . .	320.00	
Coal . . . . .	3,000.00	
Elevator Insurance . . . . .	70.00	
Plate Glass Insurance . . . . .	40.00	
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		14,082.00
Total for Committee on Temple . . . . .	\$26,766.44	
Committee on Correspondence . . . . .		500.00
Committee on Library :		
Salaries . . . . .	\$2,250.00	
Reprint of Proceedings of Grand Lodge . . . . .	1,500.00	
Periodicals . . . . .	100.00	
Binding . . . . .	200.00	
New Books . . . . .	500.00	
Antiquities . . . . .	500.00	
Sundries . . . . .	100.00	
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		5,150.00
Masonic Home . . . . .		1,000.00
Transient Relief . . . . .		100.00
Trustees of Grand Lodge Charity Fund, for use of Almoners, in addition to appropriation made by Trustees . . . . .		1,600.00
Trustees of Girard Bequest . . . . .		1,200.00
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Total Estimated Expenditures . . . . .	\$72,540.44	
Leaving an Estimated Balance for other expenses of Grand Lodge . . . . .		\$62,459.56
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Making a total of . . . . .		\$135,000.00



Your Committee desires to record its sincere regret at the untimely death of its late Chairman, Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER, which occurred on September 30, 1904, and whose valuable services were thus terminated but a short while after his selection for that responsible position. Brother WAGNER always manifested an intense interest in the careful management and protection of the finances of the Grand Lodge, and he gave freely of his time and talents for the benefit of your Committee and Freemasonry in general.

He was first appointed a member of the Committee on the 27th day of December, 1877, and subsequently served very acceptably from 1882 to 1893, inclusive. On December 5, 1894, he was honored by the Craft, being elected Junior Grand Warden, and successively advanced to Right Worshipful Grand Master in 1899.

We have lost a "true and faithful Brother," whose memory we deeply cherish, and his example is worthy of admiration by all members of the Fraternity.

The Committee offers the following :

*Resolved*, That the Right Worshipful Grand Master be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to draw orders on the Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer for the several appropriations for the year 1905, as are herein specified.

The Right Worshipful Grand Secretary has furnished the Committee with a Balance Sheet of Grand Lodge, as of November 15, 1904, and also one after the closing entries of the year have been made; showing the amounts due to and by Grand Lodge, which is appended hereto and made part of this report.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

MAX RIEBENACK,  
AZARIAH W. HOOPES,  
EZRA S. BARTLETT,  
FRANK M. HIGHLEY,

*Committee on Finance.*

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1904.

## BALANCE SHEET, NOVEMBER 15, 1904.

*Debits.*

Due by Lodges for dues and rents .	\$10,533.50
Due by Chapters, Commanderies, and bodies other than Lodges for rent . . . . .	870.08
Real Estate . . . . .	1,696,376.95
Girard Bequest . . . . .	64,422.68
Grand Lodge Charity Fund .	79,598.21
Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund . . . . .	103,429.58
Stephen Taylor Bequest . .	13,195.93
Thomas Singleton Bequest . .	26,401.17
Cash . . . . .	18,591.94
Salaries . . . . .	12,949.92
Interest . . . . .	7,047.48
Improvement of Temple . .	360,000.00
George Washington Anniversary (1902) . . . . .	10,517.68
Charles Jackson McClary Memo- rial Fund, Bequest No. 1 .	20,563.20
Charles Jackson McClary Memo- rial Fund, Bequest No. 2 .	30,840.10
Transient Relief . . . . .	100.00
Expenses Grand Lodge . .	7,102.34
Expenses Grand Master . .	3,700.00
Expenses District Deputy Grand Master . . . . .	3,480.75
Committee on Temple . .	26,505.94
Committee on Library . .	4,600.00
Committee on Correspondence .	500.00
Masonic Home . . . . .	1,000.00
Almoners Grand Lodge Charity Fund . . . . .	1,200.00
Stewards of Stephen Girard Charity Fund . . . . .	1,200.00
	<hr/> \$2,504,727.45

*Credits.*

Due to Lodges (overpaid dues) .	\$109.95
Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania .	2,135,468.02
Masonic Temple Four per cent.	
Loan . . . . .	198,100.00
Extinct Lodges . . . . .	3.00
Mary Huston . . . . .	100.00
Old Fixtures . . . . .	544.50
Dispensations . . . . .	39,050.00
Ahiman Rezons . . . . .	217.50
Grand Lodge Certificates . .	169.00
Warrants . . . . .	400.00
Ten per cents. . . . .	12,103.00
City Initiations . . . . .	3,198.00
City Dues . . . . .	18,282.42
Initiations other than City . .	8,492.00
Dues other than City . . . .	49,208.56
Masonic Rents . . . . .	39,281.50
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	\$2,504,727.45

Balance Sheet, November 15, 1904, after closing entries for the year ending this date have been made :

*Debits.*

Due by Lodges for dues and rents .	\$10,533.50
Due by Chapters, Commanderies, and bodies other than Lodges for rent . . . . .	870.08
Real Estate . . . . .	1,696,376.95
Girard Bequest . . . . .	64,422.68
Grand Lodge Charity Fund .	79,598.21
Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund . . . . .	103,429.58
Stephen Taylor Bequest . . .	13,195.93
Thomas Singleton Bequest . .	26,401.17
Cash . . . . .	18,591.94



Improvement of Temple . . .	360,000.00	
Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Fund, Bequest No. 1 . . .	20,563.20	
Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Fund, Bequest No. 2 . . .	30,840.10	
	<hr/>	\$2,424.823,34

*Credits.*

Due to Lodges (overpaid dues) . . .	\$109.95	
Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania . . .	2,225,968.89	
Masonic Temple Four per cent. Loan . . . . .	198,100.00	
Mary Huston . . . . .	100.00	
Old Fixtures . . . . .	544.50	
	<hr/>	\$2,424,823.34

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.**

The Committee on By-Laws made the following report, and the resolutions attached thereto were adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons:*

Your Committee on By-Laws respectfully report that they have examined the By-Laws and Amendments to By-Laws referred to them and offer the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-Laws of Lodges Nos. 323, and 474 be returned to the said Lodges with instructions to provide for a Permanent Fund.

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-Laws of Lodge No. 538 be amended as follows :

Article V., Section 1.—By striking out in the ninth line the words “except as herein provided.” By changing the numbers of Article VIII. to Article XIV., and numbering the succeeding Articles to correspond.

And that as so amended they be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Lodges Nos. 158, 220, 277, 300, 433, 437, 444, and 544 be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Lodges Nos. 114, 243, 346, and 388 be approved, and that said Lodges be directed to further amend their By-Laws to conform to the Rules and Regulations of Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

CHARLES CARY,  
JAMES S. BARBER,  
CHARLES F. WIGNALL,  
JAMES W. R. WASHINGTON,  
SYLVESTER S. GARWOOD,

*Committee on By-Laws.*

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1904.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPLE.

The Committee on Temple made the following reports, which were ordered to be entered and filed :

PHILADELPHIA, November 15, 1904.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons :*

The Committee on Temple respectfully present the following report of their receipts and expenditures for the year ending November 15, 1904, excepting therefrom the receipts and expenditures on account of the improvement of the Temple :

### RECEIPTS.

1903.

Nov.	15.	Balance on hand	.	.	\$779.14
Dec.	9.	Received from Grand			
		Treasurer	.	.	5,000.00

1904.

Jan. 25.	Received from Grand Treasurer . . .	5,000.00	
March 29.	Received from Grand Treasurer . . .	5,000.00	
March 1.	Interest on bank deposit to date . . .	29.42	
May 27.	Received from Grand Treasurer . . .	5,000.00	
Aug. 11.	Received from Grand Treasurer . . .	6,505.94	
Sept. 1.	Interest on bank deposit to date . . .	26.68	
			<u>\$27,341.18</u>

## EXPENDITURES.

Employees . . . . .	\$12,009.04	
Electric Lights . . . . .	5,193.00	
Gas . . . . .	24.75	
Ice . . . . .	256.13	
Coal . . . . .	2,888.72	
Supplies . . . . .	2,032.27	
Repairs . . . . .	1,805.10	
Cleaning windows, washing towels, hauling ashes, etc. . . . .	793.73	
Bell Telephone Company . . . . .	274.68	
Water rent . . . . .	250.34	
Insurance . . . . .	300.92	
City survey . . . . .	25.00	
		<u>\$25,853.68</u>
Balance on hand, Nov. 15, 1904,		1,487.50
		<u>\$27,341.18</u>

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. KELLY, R.W.P.G.M.,  
HIBBERT P. JOHN,  
JAMES B. DUFFY,  
G. ELLWOOD WAGNER,  
Z. TAYLOR RICKARDS,

*Committee on Temple.*



## IMPROVEMENT OF TEMPLE.

PHILADELPHIA, November 15, 1904.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons :*

The Committee on Temple respectfully submit the following report of their receipts and expenditures for the improvement and alteration of the Temple for the year ending November 15, 1904 :

## RECEIPTS.

1903.

Nov. 15.	Balance on hand,	. . .	\$4,193.72
Dec. 8.	Received from Grand Treas-		
	urer . . . . .		10,000.00
Dec. 22.	Received from Grand Treas-		
	urer . . . . .		10,000.00

1904.

Jan. 25.	Received from Grand Treas-		
	urer . . . . .		20,000.00
March 3.	Received from Grand Treas-		
	urer . . . . .		14,000.00
April 29.	Interest on bank deposit to		
	date . . . . .		36.55
May 10.	Received from Grand Treas-		
	urer . . . . .		5,000.00
July 5.	Received from Grand Treas-		
	urer . . . . .		5,000.00
Aug. 11.	Received from Grand Treas-		
	urer . . . . .		10,000.00
Oct. 6.	Received from Grand Treas-		
	urer . . . . .		10,000.00
Oct. 14.	Received from Grand Treas-		
	urer . . . . .		10,000.00
Oct. 31.	Interest on bank deposit to		
	date . . . . .		28.83
			<hr/> \$98,259.10

## EXPENDITURES.

Decorating and furnishing . . . . .	\$68,079.78	
Plastering, cementing, and painting . . . . .	2,095.19	
Electrical work . . . . .	13,460.47	
Heating and ventilating . . . . .	623.15	
Plumbing . . . . .	1,585.28	
Carpentering . . . . .	1,330.30	
Vault . . . . .	509.68	
Fire-proofing . . . . .	442.00	
	<hr/>	88,125.85
Balance, November 15, 1904 . . . . .		\$10,133.25

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. KELLY, R.W.P.G.M.,  
HIBBERT P. JOHN,  
JAMES B. DUFFY,  
G. ELLWOOD WAGNER,  
Z. TAYLOR RICKARDS,

*Committee on Temple.*

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY.

The Committee on Library made the following report, when, on motion, the resolution attached thereto was referred to the Committee on Finance.

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1904.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons :*

Your Committee on Library respectfully submits the following as its report for 1904 :

## BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY.

Bound volumes, November 15, 1903 . . . . .	8,830	
Added by gift and purchase . . . . .	246	
Added by binding . . . . .	802	
	<hr/>	1,048
		<hr/> 9,878

Unbound volumes, pamphlets, etc.,		
November 15, 1903 . . . . .	4,427	
Added by gift and purchase . . . . .	524	
	<hr/> 4,951	
Less Proceedings, etc. bound . . . . .	1,421	
	<hr/>	3,530
Total . . . . .		13,408
Number last report . . . . .		13,257
Increase . . . . .		<hr/> 151
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Increase in bound volumes . . . . .		1,048
Increase in unbound volumes . . . . .		897
Net increase of . . . . .		<hr/> 151
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During the year 22,421 persons have visited the Library, an increase of 1259 from the year 1903.

Your Committee is glad to be able to report the execution of the contracts for, and the beginning of, the alterations in the Library, by which steel book-stacks will be placed in the fire-proof rooms to the north, vacating the whole of the present floor-space, one-half of which will be used for cases, to be filled with the steadily increasing number of relics, of great value by reason of their age and their association with Brethren of the Fraternity, and the other half to be used as a reading-room. When the improvements and alterations, planned and contracted for, are completed, your Committee feels that the Library and the Museum will be one of the most valuable in this country.

The most important additions to the Library and the Museum during the past year were the following :

Letter from and signed by Brother GEORGE WASHINGTON (1792), which reads as follows :

*“ To the Ancient York Masons of the Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania :*

*“ GENTLEMEN AND BROTHERS,—I received your kind Congratulations with the purest sensations of fraternal affection—*



And from a heart deeply impressed with your generous wishes for my present and future happiness, I beg you to accept my thanks.

“At the same time I request you will be assured of my best wishes and earnest prayers for your happiness while you remain in this terrestrial Mansion, and that we may hereafter meet as brethren in the Eternal Temple of the Supreme Architect.

(Signed)

“G. WASHINGTON.”

Official copy of the will of Brother STEPHEN GIRARD, with the signatures of the Executors and Register of Wills, bound in full morroco and gilt.

The above were deposited by the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, Brother WILLIAM A. SINN.

Masonic jewels, books, manuscripts, letters, etc., of Past Grand Master Brother SAMUEL C. PERKINS.

Masonic jewels, medals, etc., of Past Master Brother SAMUEL I. GIVIN, of Roxborough Lodge, No. 135.

Masonic jewels and books of Past Grand High Priest Brother RICHARD M. JOHNSON.

Masonic jewel and apron of Past Master Brother BENJAMIN KARRICK, of Montgomery Lodge, No. 19.

Apron of Brother GEORGE ORD, of Tun Tavern Lodge, Philadelphia (1754).

An elaborate Past Master's jewel, made of gold, silver, and stones, of Past Master Brother JOHN BENNETT, of Benevolent Lodge, No. 142, New York (1839).

Silver repeating watch made in Geneva with Masonic emblems, and formerly owned by BROTHER MAXWELL SUMMERVILLE.

Programme of the dedication of the Masonic Temple, Chestnut Street, June 24, 1811.

Curious circular announcing the exhibition of the Knights Templar degree at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, May 5, 1830. Tickets, 25c., to be had at the Bar.

Copper-plate colored engraving, one of series entitled “Life

in Philadelphia," showing two negroes in Masonic clothing discussing the Morgan episode (1828).

Polished onyx column surmounted with a key-stone made from the cover of the corner-stone of the Masonic Temple (1873), Philadelphia.

Forty-two certificates of various dates, from 1786 to 1842. Among these is a certificate by one of the celebrated engravers of the early part of last century (DAVID EDWIN). This is a very large certificate with Masonic figures, symbols, and emblems in line and stipple. Although this was printed in 1804, it is the only copy extant, and has excited much interest among collectors.

The collection of Masonic medals and Chapter pennies now amounts to 768 pieces.

The collection of Masonic china pitchers, plates, etc., now number 86 pieces.

The wood statues which were formerly in the main corridor have, owing to the alterations and redecoration of the corridor, been placed in the Library. These statues were carved from solid blocks of wood by CHRISTOPHER RUSH, the celebrated wood-carver of the early part of last century. They were formerly in Peale's Museum, and were taken by the Grand Lodge for arrears in rent in 1852, and placed in the Grand Lodge Room in the Temple on Chestnut Street, and after this present Temple was completed they were brought here.

Large white silk banner of the Washington Benevolent Society of Philadelphia, with a fine portrait of WASHINGTON, in oil, after Stuart. Grand Lodge purchased the Hall of this Society in 1835.

The work of the Committee will be much helped, and more complete records of Masonic events, social and otherwise, could be established, if the Brethren interested in matters of this kind, and all of them should be, would send to the Librarian copies of Lodge notices, menu cards, souvenirs, manuscripts, newspaper clippings, or whatever else would help to establish a continuous record of events engaging the attention and labors of the Craft.



The publication of Volume IX., containing the minutes of Grand Lodge from 1855 to 1858, both inclusive, has been delayed because of the rearrangement of the printing, by which space has been saved and the cost of the printing of the book in proportion to the amount of matter it contains, materially reduced. It is expected that the volume will be ready for sale and delivery early next year, and the work upon Volume X., which is expected to contain the minutes of Grand Lodge of the years 1859 to 1861, will be commenced at once. Attention is called to the comparatively small number of these Minutes called for by either the Lodges or individual Brethren of the Craft. Your committee hopes that there may be a greater demand for the current volume and the volumes still on hand, which give a history of the Craft within the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

The number of copies of the Minutes of Grand Lodge sold, exchanged, and on hand is as follows :

	Sold.	Exchanged.	Number on hand.
Vol. I.	2	3	83
Vol. II.	4	6	309
Vol. III.	5	6	636
Vol. IV.	9	6	646
Vol. V.	12	7	716
Vol. VI.	12	7	716
Vol. VII.	44	12	842
Vol. VIII.	54	16	838

Our Receipts and Expenditures have been as follows :

#### RECEIPTS.

Balance, November 15, 1903	\$396.91
Received from the R. W. Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, appropriation for 1904	4600.00
Received from the Pennsylvania Council of Deliberation, A. A. S. Rite, for binding	50.00



Received from the Grand H. R. A. Chapter of Pennsylvania, for binding . . . .	50.00
Received from the Grand Commandery of Penn- sylvania, K. T., for binding . . . .	50.00
Received from Librarian, sales of books, etc . . .	197.16
Received from interest on deposits . . . .	78.79
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	\$5422.86

## EXPENDITURES.

Purchase of books and pamphlets . . .	\$506.72
Subscriptions to newspapers and period- icals . . . . .	110.40
Purchase of antiquities, etc. . . .	502.50
Binding . . . . .	370.35
Printing, supplies, etc. . . . .	82.00
Petty cash and sundries . . . . .	62.00
Salaries . . . . .	2125.00
Portraits for Volume IX., Minutes of Grand Lodge . . . . .	20.00
Interests on deposits paid to R. W. Grand Secretary . . . . .	102.41
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	3881.38
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Balance, November 15, 1904 . . .	\$1541.48
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The balance on hand is greater than at the close of the preceding year, but practically all this amount will be due for the printing of Volume IX. of the Minutes.

The Committee on Finance of Grand Lodge has audited and found correct the accounts of the Treasurer of the Committee and of the Librarian.

The matter of marking, by appropriate bronze tablets, the several places in which the Grand Lodge has met since its organization in 1732 has been considered by your Committee, and the subject will be submitted for your consideration in a supplementary report.

Again thanking the Grand Lodge for its liberal appropriation, and the several Committees of Grand Lodge for their continued interests in the work of improving the Library accommodations, and approving the arrangements for the Masonic Museum, we are

Fraternally yours,

LOUIS WAGNER, *Chairman*,  
I. LAYTON REGISTER,  
THOMAS S. STOUT,  
WILLIAM D. McILROY,  
SAMUEL W. LATTA,  
CHARLES L. LOCKWOOD,  
JOHN WANAMAKER,

*Committee on Library.*

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1904.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons :*

In addition to the Annual Report presented herewith, the Committee on Library desires to call the attention of the Grand Lodge to the subject of marking, with bronze memorial tablets, appropriately inscribed, the twelve places at which the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania has held its meetings since 1732.

The subject of marking places of importance, historic or otherwise, prevails more extensively in this country than ever before, and your Committee is impressed with the advantage of designating these sites and buildings, not only as a permanent record, but also as a matter of interest to the Fraternity and to visitors to the city.

The first meetings of the Grand Lodge were held in the extreme eastern part of the city of Philadelphia, but as the Craft increased in numbers, Grand Lodge gradually moved to the centre of the city, until in 1873 our present Temple was dedicated, which is the only building in America devoted exclusively to Masonic uses.

This subject has been considered by your Committee during

the past few months, and preliminary sketches have been made, by a prominent sculptor, of the tablets proposed to be erected.

The estimated total cost of the work does not exceed \$3000, and, impressed with the importance and advantage of marking these places of meeting, we have the honor to offer the following resolution and to ask its adoption :

*Resolved*, That the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3000), or so much thereof as may be necessary for the work, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated for marking with bronze memorial tablets, appropriately inscribed, the several places of meeting of the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons, from 1730 to the present time, and that the Committee on Library be, and it is hereby, authorized to proceed with the work.

Fraternally yours,

LOUIS WAGNER, *Chairman*,  
I. LAYTON REGISTER,  
THOMAS S. STOUT,  
WILLIAM D. McILROY,  
SAMUEL W. LATTA,  
CHARLES L. LOCKWOOD,  
JOHN WANAMAKER,

*Committee on Library.*

### MASONIC HOMES.

The Right Worshipful Grand Secretary made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1904.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania :*

At the Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge, held June 1, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904, District Deputy Grand Master Brother THOMAS F. WELLS offered the following preamble and resolution, which was adopted :



WHEREAS, It is important that full information in regard to the necessity for the desirability of making further provision for the maintenance and care of destitute widows or orphans of deceased Freemasons, and of sick and afflicted Freemasons and their wives in indigent circumstances, in the Jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge ;

*Resolved*, That the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary be directed to communicate with all of the Subordinate Lodges of this Grand Lodge, and request definite answers by the said Subordinate Lodges to the following inquiries :

How many members in good standing are there in your Lodge ?

How many Brethren and widows and children of Masons, if any, has your Lodge furnished financial aid to during the years 1900, 1901, 1902, and 1903 ?

What amount has your Lodge paid to the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania during said years.

Is your Lodge a member of the corporation of the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania ?

The following statement is submitted as a summary of the reports and returns on file in the office of the Grand Secretary, made by the Subordinate Lodges in reply to the inquiries issued by the Grand Secretary in accordance with the foregoing resolution, and a compilation of the disbursements made by the Grand Lodge to charitable purposes during the same years.

1900.	Number of Lodges, 436 ;	members, 54,890
1901.	Number of Lodges, 439 ;	members, 57,266
1902.	Number of Lodges, 440 ;	members, 59,826
1903.	Number of Lodges, 447 ;	members, 63,097

Lodges making returns . . . . .	441
Lodges not making returns . . . . .	6
Lodges, members of Masonic Home . . . . .	149
Lodges, not members of Masonic Home . . . . .	292

During 1900 six hundred and fifty-four (654) persons (402 Masons, 219 widows, and 33 children) received aid from 237 Lodges, aggregating .	\$21,821.85	
and 169 Lodges of those making returns contributed to the Masonic Home the sum of . . . .	5,278.45	
	<hr/>	\$27,100.30
During 1901 six hundred and eighty-five (685) persons (381 Masons, 252 widows, and 52 children) received aid from 230 Lodges, aggregating .	\$23,513.57	
and 173 Lodges of those making returns contributed to the Masonic Home the sum of . . . .	5,242.05	
	<hr/>	28,755.62
During 1902 six hundred and sixty-three (663) persons (377 Masons, 229 widows, and 57 children) received aid from 234 Lodges, aggregating . . . . .	\$25,153.05	
and 183 Lodges of those making returns contributed to the Masonic Home the sum of . . . .	5,918.40	
	<hr/>	31,071.45
During 1903 seven hundred and thirty-four (734) persons (388 Masons, 276 widows, and 70 children) received aid from 237 Lodges, aggregating . . . . .	\$28,157.23	
and 188 Lodges of those making returns contributed to the Masonic Home the sum of . . . .	5,619.76	
	<hr/>	33,776.99
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		<u>\$120,704.36</u>

From the records of the Grand Lodge it appears that on November 14, 1903, the principal of the funds subject to its control (the income from which may be applied to charitable uses) was :

1. The Grand Lodge Charity Fund . . . .	\$78,885.80
2. The Stephen Girard Charity Fund . . . .	64,248.68
3. The Thomas R. Patton Charity Fund . . . .	101,929.58
4. The Thomas Singleton Charity Fund . . . .	26,213.17
5. The Stephen Taylor Charity Fund (not available until 1907, ten years after the death of widow of donor . . . . .)	12,499.43
6. The William McClary Charity Fund (the income from \$20,000 to Masonic Home in Philadelphia, and \$30,000 to be invested until it amounts to \$50,000, as a permanent fund, the interest and income thereof to be used for the education of minor children of Freemasons, under rules and regulations of Trustees to be appointed by the Grand Lodge) . . . . .	50,750.00

During 1900 :

The Grand Lodge disbursed to the Masonic Home . . . . .	\$500.00	
By the Almoners of the Grand Lodge to 409 applicants the sum of . . . . .	3,498.75	
By the Bursars of the Thomas R. Patton Fund . . . . .	1,418.00	
By the Stewards of the Stephen Girard Fund to 182 applicants the sum of . . . . .	2,390.00	
	<hr/>	\$7,806.75

During 1901 :

To the Masonic Home . . . . .	\$1,000.00
To Jacksonville Relief . . . . .	300.00
By the Almoners of the Grand Lodge to 453 applicants the sum of . . . . .	3,852.00



To transient relief . . . . .	150.00	
By the Bursars of Thomas R. Patton Fund . . . . .	1,500.00	
By the Stewards of the Stephen Girard Fund to 190 applicants the sum of . . . . .	2,395.00	
	<hr/>	9,197.00
During 1902 :		
To the Masonic Home . . . . .	\$1,000.00	
By the Almoners of the Grand Lodge to 450 applicants the sum of . . . . .	3,809.00	
By the Bursars of the Thomas R. Patton Fund . . . . .	1,491.00	
By the Stewards of the Stephen Girard Fund to 145 applicants the sum of . . . . .	2,265.00	
	<hr/>	8,565.00
During 1903 :		
To the Masonic Home . . . . .	\$1,000.00	
To transient relief . . . . .	50.00	
By the Almoners of the Grand Lodge to 462 applicants the sum of . . . . .	4,745.00	
By the Bursars of the Thomas R. Patton Fund . . . . .	2,262.00	
By the Stewards of the Stephen Girard Fund to 133 applicants the sum of . . . . .	2,345.00	
	<hr/>	10,402.00
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		\$35,970.75
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The Grand Lodge and the Subordinate Lodges reporting, disbursed to Masons, widows, and children during the years 1900, 1901, 1902, and 1903 . . . . .		
		\$131,116.45
The Grand Lodge and the Subordinate Lodges reporting, disbursed during the same period to the Masonic Home in Philadelphia . . . . .		
		25,558.66
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		\$156,675.11
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It is apparent, from an examination of the returns furnished, that a very large amount of money is annually expended by Lodges and members which it is not possible to approximate, for the reason that no record is made of beneficiaries or of the disbursements. A notable instance of this class of disbursements is found in the combination of Lodges Nos. 45, 219, 221, 231, 287, 390, 484, and 508, of Pittsburgh, through which investments have been made during many years, and the interest therefrom is dispensed to deserving subjects by a committee without direct intervention of Lodges, and in 1900 the sum of \$1736.21 was disbursed; in 1901, \$2059.56; in 1902, \$1631.61; in 1903, \$1547.64, aggregating the sum of \$6965.02 in the period covered by the investigation made by this Committee. Other methods of raising and disbursing Masonic aid are in operation in different parts of the State, and it is to be regretted that accurate reports have not been annually made, at least for statistical purposes.

Some Lodges appropriate a definite and some an indefinite amount annually to be expended by a committee of a single or of several Lodges, and no accounting or report is required from these committees. Further, no record is made of the emergency collections which are informally taken up by passing the hat in order to relieve an urgent case or in aid of one not strictly entitled to Lodge charity under the rules of the committees.

## COMMITTEE ON WASHINGTON SESQUI-CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY, 1902.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania:*

The Committee to whom was intrusted the arrangement of the celebration by the Grand Lodge of the Sesqui-centennial Anniversary of the Initiation of GEORGE WASHINGTON into the Fraternity of Freemasons, beg to submit their final report.

The celebration on November 5, 1902, was regarded as so successful that it was decided that a Memorial Volume should be prepared, giving a full account of the celebration and the



matters connected with it. This was done by the Secretary of the Committee, Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON.

The Memorial Volume is an octavo book containing 382 pages, printed on all-rag paper (made especially for books and documents intended for preservation), and nineteen illustrations; it is bound in full purple ribbed cloth, having gilt top, with lettering in gold on the back, and gold embossed Washington Sesqui-centennial medal on the side.

In the introduction are given an account of the preliminary arrangements, with copies of the various letters issued, a description of the memorial medal, and a copy of the "Suggested Programme," which was sent to all the Lodges in this Jurisdiction, together with "Extracts from the Records of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania," showing its cordial relations with our Brother General WASHINGTON.

The account of the celebration proper is very full and complete, the names of all the Brethren present in Grand Lodge being given, and all the proceedings proper to be printed both in Grand Lodge and at the Table Lodge following the banquet; and both programmes are reproduced.

A description is given of the very important Washington relics which were present in Grand Lodge; and the catalogue of the Loan Exhibition of Washingtoniana is reprinted.

The illustrations include the Stuart Washington, the apron presented by Brother LAFAYETTE to WASHINGTON, the Washington relics, the Houdon statue of WASHINGTON, Brother THEODORE ROOSEVELT, President of the United States, the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, and its Grand Banquet-Room.

An edition of three thousand and six numbered copies was printed. Copy No. 1, specially bound, was presented to Brother THEODORE ROOSEVELT, as already reported in the Proceedings of 1903, at pages 152-154. Copy No. 2, similarly bound, was presented to the Secretary of our Committee. Copies were presented to all the Brethren who participated in the celebration, to the Grand Masters, the Chairmen of the Committees on Correspondence, and to the Libraries of all Grand Lodges with which we are in fraternal relations; to all the Lodges in this



Jurisdiction, and to their Worshipful Masters in 1902; and to leading libraries in all parts of the world. Other copies were distributed by the members of the Committee.

The Committee desire to have the Memorial Volume considered as a part of this report.

The important correspondence of the Committee, and other papers and articles of interest, have been deposited in the Library of Grand Lodge, the papers, cards, etc., having been arranged in volumes by the Librarian, Brother GEORGE P. RUPP.

The Committee desire to record their sincere sorrow in the loss sustained in the death of Right Worshipful Past Grand Masters Brothers CONRAD B. DAY and GEORGE E. WAGNER. They both were greatly interested in the success of the celebration, and were helpful in counsel. We, with the rest of the Brethren, grieve that we no longer have their kindly presence and their sound judgment in the conduct of the affairs of Grand Lodge.

The Committee believe that the celebration was well worthy of the very interesting Masonic event commemorated and of this old Grand Lodge. They now ask to be discharged.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted for the Committee,

JAMES M. LAMBERTON,

*Secretary.*

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1904.

## **SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WASHINGTON SESQUI-CENTENNIAL ANNI- VERSARY.**

WHEREAS, The work done by this Committee has been preserved in the Memorial Volume printed and distributed under its authority, and

WHEREAS, The valuable information secured and compiled therein to preserve the record of the event celebrated, as well as the labor done and the means employed to secure the data and documents necessary to commemorate that important Masonic

Celebration, were in a very large measure the result of the patient and unremitting services of Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON, the Secretary of the Committee, and required a great amount of time, joined with exceptional knowledge and zeal in making a Memorial in which the Fraternity of this Jurisdiction will have a continuing pride; now, therefore, as the final act of this committee before adjournment *sine die*; be it

*Resolved*, That the sincere thanks of this committee and of each of its members be and are hereby tendered to Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON as a slight token of their appreciation of his faithful services as its Secretary; his exceptional good judgment and uniform courtesy in discharging his duties.

JAMES W. BROWN, R.W.G.M.,

*For the Committee.*

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1904.

Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother EDGAR A. TENNIS, on behalf of the widow of Brother RICHARD M. JOHNSON, Past Master of Lodge No. 130, presented to Grand Lodge the Masonic Books and Jewels of her late husband, which were, on motion, delivered to the Committee on Library for preservation.

## In Memoriam.

Brother SAMUEL W. WRAY, Past Master of Lodge No. 121, addressed Grand Lodge as follows :

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER AND BRETHREN  
OF GRAND LODGE :

I am honored at this time by a request to say a few words upon the life and character of our late esteemed friend and Brother GEORGE EMIL WAGNER, Right Worshipful Past Grand Master, and they shall be words of honest praise, and not adulation nor fulsome flattery.

It has become a custom with us to honor our dead by eulogistic words, that the virtues which they possessed and inculcated may be better impressed upon the minds of those of us who remain ; that the good deeds performed may be remembered, and the higher motives which actuated them in life may be better understood and emulated.

In all ages of time it has been customary to reward the hero, crown the brave, and award honors to the victors ; to pay tribute to the deserving ; strew flowers in the pathway of the fortunate, and to recite pleasant memories of the good, the just, and the true.

And in that light we are at this time to engage in pleasant memories of the life of one who was possessed of proper endeavor, kind heart, and firm resolve to



think no evil, brave to perform his duty, and punctilious in the fulfilment of a trust.

These virtues are for our memories and sweet morsels to cherish during our lives.

We believe, firmly, in a repetition of the charms of an unostentatious life, of the rehearsal of the honorable, active service of those who have passed on but a little while before.

It tends to the uplifting of the minds of those eager for the betterment of their fellow-men, as well as those vexed with the perplexities of the present strenuous age.

The rehearsal of the honest and strict performance of duty by those intrusted with great powers is designed and tends to excite the admiration of those qualities which man loves best in man.

GEORGE EMIL WAGNER was born in Giessen, Germany, May 18, 1842, and when seven years of age was brought by his parents to this country, and landed in this city, locating first near the corner of Fourth and Walnut Streets, in which neighborhood he afterwards, and until his death, spent much time in his active business pursuits.

He attended public schools in this city, and, with the determination to succeed, he in 1866, after his return from the army, entered the busy walks of life to earn a livelihood.

He was always frank and straightforward—his bow was never bent to shoot an arrow to hurt the feelings or reduce the sense of manhood in his fellows.

He helped others to help themselves, was reasonable, kind, and charitable of the views of others.

He was a close student of the affairs of all those interests with which he was identified, and after due consideration of a subject was prepared to advocate and defend his position in a spirit of kindness and firmness, yielding to those with whom he differed the same right he asked for himself.

In all of his official relations he tempered justice with mercy. He believed in law-abiding citizenship. He was hampered by no small creed or dogma, but followed the command to "love the Lord, his God, with all his heart and mind, and his neighbor as himself." This belief he practised and exemplified in his every-day walk.

As acting Right Worshipful Grand Master, and as Right Worshipful Grand Master, he was called upon to, and did, assume, with many misgivings, great duties and grave responsibilities.

With a thorough knowledge of the mental attainments and high character of his illustrious predecessors, with an unwavering belief in honesty of purpose, strength, and firmness, he approached and accepted the station and office (an honor tendered him by the unanimous vote of his Brethren, the last, best gift in their power to bestow) with a reliance upon the Supreme Being, who doeth all things well, and a resolution to perform his trust with unflinching fidelity and earnestness.

His elevation to that high office led him not to con-



sider his importance or its power, but to conserve and preserve its dignity and high character, and maintain its supremacy and the laws.

Brother GEORGE EMIL WAGNER passed into eternal rest at midnight on Friday, September 30, 1904, after an illness lasting but three days.

The close of his life was without suffering, and calmly, as if sleeping, his work on earth ceased.

His business, military, and Masonic careers were active and vigorous, as was his nature, and each in its separate sphere received his earnest and hearty attention, and stamped him as a good citizen, a brave patriot, and a devoted Brother.

In his several relations of life, his decision of character won for him hosts of friends who to-day mourn his loss.

In every duty of life, whether in the service of his friends, his country, or his Brethren, he was not slothful.

His warm heart, his active mind, and his willing hands found much to do, and his labors were effective.

Death, never a welcome visitor to our portals, has been a frequent one to this Grand Lodge, and during the seventeen months prior to the decease of the subject of this memoir summoned no less than four Right Worshipful Past Grand Masters and a Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden to the Grand Lodge above, there to appear before the Grand Architect of the Universe.

May He approve of them all.

But has this no lesson for those who remain? We



are reminded that we too are mortal, and must soon render an account of the deeds done in the body.

Have we rightly construed the use of the plumb, the level, and the square, the compasses, and the trowel?

If we can give a proper answer, then we can follow our guide and fear no danger, soon to join that band waiting to welcome us when we are brought to eternal light.

#### MILITARY HISTORY.

A synopsis of the military history of GEORGE EMIL WAGNER covers the period from the first call for troops of Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States, in 1861, until the close of the war in 1864, on the south side of the James River in Virginia, when he was compelled, owing to a severe wound received at Olustee, Florida, to apply for his discharge.

Private Twentieth Pennsylvania Infantry, April 26, 1861; mustered out, August 6, 1861.

First sergeant Eighty-eighth Pennsylvania Infantry, August 13, 1861; discharged for promotion, May 1, 1862.

Second Lieutenant Eighty-eighth Pennsylvania Infantry, May 1, 1862; First Lieutenant, December 1, 1862; resigned and honorably discharged for promotion, October 26, 1863.

Captain Eighth United States Colored Troops, October 26, 1863; Major, September 13, 1864; Lieutenant-Colonel Ninth United States Colored Troops, November 3, 1864; honorably discharged for disability from wounds, December 12, 1864.

Brevetted Colonel United States Volunteers, March 13, 1865, "for gallant conduct at the battle of Olustee, Florida, and for meritorious services during the war."

Patterson's army in Shenandoah Valley.

Army of the Potomac, August, 1861, to November, 1863.

Department of the South, November, 1863, to August, 1864.

Army of the James, August, 1864, to date of discharge.

Wounded four times.

Entering the service as a private in the Scott Legion in April, 1861, one week after the completion of the three months' term, he enlisted in the Eighty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was appointed first sergeant of Company D. He was promoted to Second Lieutenant, and then to First Lieutenant, and as such commanded the company with signal ability at Gettysburg.

In August, 1863, Lieutenant WAGNER appeared before the board for examination for officers for United States Colored Troops, and as a result he was commissioned Captain Company A, Eighth United States Colored Troops, then being recruited at Camp William Penn.

Early in January, 1864, the regiment was assigned to duty in the Department of the South, and on February 20 was engaged in the battle of Olustee, Florida, where the regiment had two officers and forty-nine men killed, and nine officers and one hundred and eighty men wounded. In this battle he was severely wounded.



After a few months leave, he had recovered sufficiently to rejoin the regiment, and was promoted Major, September 13, 1864. The regiment had then been assigned to the Tenth Corps, Army of the James, and in the battle at Chaffin's Farm, September 29, 1864, and in the immediate events following that fight, Major WAGNER was in command and showed skill and bravery in handling the regiment under severe fire in charging intrenchments.

He was again promoted, this time as Lieutenant-Colonel of the Ninth United States Colored Troops, in which he served until compelled, by reason of suffering from the wounds received at Olustee, to apply for his discharge from the service.

He was deservedly brevetted Colonel United States Volunteers, March 13, 1865, "for gallant conduct at Olustee, and for meritorious services during the war."

#### MASONIC HISTORY.

*Harmony Lodge, No. 52, F. and A. M., Philadelphia.*

He was initiated June 14, 1864.

September 1, 1864, was passed to the degree of Fellow Craft Mason, and at the same session of the Lodge was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason, by virtue of a Dispensation granted by the proper Masonic authority, after which he immediately left for the army.

He was elected and served as Secretary of the Lodge during 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870, and also in 1875 and in 1878. Served as Junior Warden, 1872; as Senior Warden, 1873; as Worshipful Master, 1874.



During his term as Right Worshipful Grand Master, accompanied by a corps of Grand Officers, he was pleased to visit the Lodge of which he was a member during the term of his only son, Brother GEORGE ELLWOOD WAGNER, as Worshipful Master.

*Girard Mark Lodge, No. 214.*

He received the Honorary degree of Mark Master Mason, April 11, 1865; was Junior Warden in 1872; Senior Warden in 1873; Worshipful Master in 1874.

*Columbia Royal Arch Chapter, No. 91.*

He was elected a member June 21, 1865, and on the same evening received the degree of Most Excellent Master, and exalted to the degree of Royal Arch Mason.

He served as Principal Sojourner in 1868; was Scribe in 1869; King in 1870; High Priest in 1871.

Served as one of the Trustees during the years 1878, 1879, 1880, and 1881.

On February 17, 1904, he was elected the Representative of the Chapter to the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.

*Philadelphia Council, No. 11, Royal and Select Masters.*

He received the degrees of Royal Master, Super Excellent Master, and Select Master in Philadelphia Council, No. 11, Royal and Select Masters, on May 9, 1877.

*Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

He served as Grand Principal Sojourner from 1872 to 1873.

As a member of the Committee on Appeals, from 1878 to 1882.

As a member of the Committee on Correspondence, from 1873 to 1884.

As a member of the Committee on Work and Jurisprudence, from 1890 to 1896.

As a member of the Committee on Jurisprudence, from 1897 until his decease.

Was Most Excellent Grand Scribe in 1874 and 1875, and Most Excellent Grand High Priest in 1876.

At the time of his decease he was the Representative of the Grand Mark Lodge of England to this M. E. Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter, in which office he had served since 1895.

*Knights Templar of Pennsylvania.*

He was knighted and became a member of Philadelphia Commandery, No. 2, K. T., from which he withdrew in 1875 to become a charter member of Corinthian Chasseur Commandery, No. 53, in which he served as Captain General, 1875 to 1876; Generalissimo, 1876 to 1877; Eminent Commander, 1877 to 1878.

*Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite.*

He received the degrees from 4 to 14 in Philadelphia Lodge of Perfection, January 18, 1878; 15° to 16°, in De Joinville Council, Princes of Jerusalem, March 15, 1878; 17° to 18°, in Kilwinning Chapter of Rose Croix H. R. O. D. M., March 15, 1878; 19°



to 32°, in Philadelphia Consistory, S. P. R. S., April 19, 1878.

He received the 33° in Philadelphia, at the session of the Supreme Council, held September 19, 1899, welcomed Sovereign Grand Inspector General of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and enrolled an Honorary Member of the Supreme Council of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America.

He was a member of the Masonic Veterans' Association, also of the Art Association, of which latter he was chosen President after the decease of Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother MICHAEL ARNOLD.

*Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.*

December 27, 1877, he was appointed a member of the Committee on Finance by Brother JAMES MADISON PORTER, Right Worshipful Grand Master.

December 27, 1882 and 1883, 1884 and 1885, 1886 and 1887, 1888 and 1889, 1890 and 1891, 1892 and 1893, he served as a member of the Committee on Finance by virtue of his appointment by the several Right Worshipful Grand Masters during those years.

December, 1894, he was elected Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden; December, 1895, re-elected Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden; December, 1896, elected Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden; December, 1897, re-elected Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden; December, 1898, elected Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master.

January 24, 1899, owing to the sudden death of



Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother HENRY W. WILLIAMS, Brother WAGNER, under and by virtue of the Constitution of Grand Lodge, became Acting Right Worshipful Grand Master, in which station and office he served until December, 1899, when he was elected to the highest office within the power of his Brethren to bestow,—Right Worshipful Grand Master.

December, 1900, he was re-elected Right Worshipful Grand Master, and served his term to completion.

December 5, 1894, he was appointed a member of the Committee to revise the Ahiman Rezon.

December, 1901, by virtue of being Right Worshipful Past Grand Master, he became a member of the Committee on Landmarks, on which he continued to serve until his decease.

In March, 1904, he was appointed Chairman of the Committee on Finance, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of our late Brother CONRAD B. DAY, on which he continued to serve until his decease.

He was appointed and served as Chairman of the Trustees of the Stephen Girard Bequest; also one of the Trustees of the Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Funds until his decease.

He was a member of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, also of Post No. 2, Grand Army of the Republic.

Thus we have collated the interesting episodes in an active, energetic, forceful life—one not too much engrossed either in business, patriotic, or civic duties as to embarrass or harass him in others.

The lesson of his early struggles, of his mental and physical resolves to overcome difficulties, his mastery over doubts and fears, his close alliance to friends, his desire to maintain the right stood pre-eminent in this man and Brother.

We now close the history. His book is sealed, but his life has not been in vain. He shall live in the recollection of many Brethren and friends.

*Resolved*, That Grand Lodge has learned, with profound sorrow and deep regret, of the sudden decease of our Brother, GEORGE EMIL WAGNER, Right Worshipful Past Grand Master, who has been for forty years actively, creditably, and honorably identified with Masonry.

*Resolved*, That by this sudden event the Fraternity has been deprived of the services of one of its most useful members and advisers, the community of one of its most valued citizens and patriots.

*Resolved*, That in the usefulness of his connection he exemplified the virtues inculcated by the teachings of Freemasonry, and we affectionately and sincerely condole with his wife and children, who most keenly feel his absence.

*Resolved*, That in testimony of our regard and esteem for his memory, the jewels of Grand Lodge Officers be draped in mourning for the space of six months.

*Resolved*, That these resolutions, together with the proceedings thereon, be entered in the minutes of this Communication of Grand Lodge, and published in pamphlet form for distribution.

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions, suitably engrossed, be sent to the family of Brother GEORGE EMIL WAGNER.

Brother GEORGE S. GRAHAM, Past Master of Lodge No. 52, addressed Grand Lodge, and paid a touching tribute to the memory of Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER.

The following communication from the Grand Lodge of Delaware was read and ordered to be entered and filed :

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE, October 10, 1904.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Master, Grand Wardens, and Members of the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania :*

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BROTHERS,—At the Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M. of the Jurisdiction of Delaware, held October 5 and 6, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted, and the Grand Secretary was directed to transmit a copy of the same to your Right Worshipful Grand Body :

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Supreme Architect of the Universe in his wise providence to remove from the activities of a useful life Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER, Right Worshipful Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in Pennsylvania and Masonic Jurisdiction Thereunto Be-



longing, and whose decease fills the hearts of the Brethren of our Sister Jurisdiction with the deepest sorrow; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M., of Delaware recognizes in the death of Right Worshipful GEORGE E. WAGNER the great loss to the Fraternity of a distinguished Mason and one of its stanchest supporters of the Landmarks of Freemasonry; that his integrity of character and the exemplification in his life of the highest and noblest principles which should govern our living is, and should be, an inspiration to every one.

*Resolved*, That the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Delaware extends the hand of fraternal and brotherly love to the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and express by this act the sincere sorrow we feel in the affliction that has befallen the Fraternity in the death of our Brother, who was a frequent visitor to this Grand Body.

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania by the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary of this Grand Lodge.

J. HARMER RILE.

J. PAUL LUKENS.

HARRY J. GUTHRIE.

Fraternally yours,

BENJAMIN F. BARTRAM,

*Grand Secretary.*

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE, October 6, 1904.

The following amendments to the Ahiman Rezon, offered at the Annual Grand Communication, held December 28, A.D. 1903, A.L. 5903, were called up, when, on motion, they were defeated :

*Resolved*, That Article X. of the Ahiman Rezon be amended by adding to Section 1 :

7. From and after St. John's Day, December 27, 1904, there shall be levied a per capita tax of fifty cents per member upon all the Lodges in this Jurisdiction, to be collected as dues and fees are now collected, and to be known as the Masonic Home Fund.

8. At the end of the first year after this amendment shall have become operative the funds then collected, and thereafter as the same shall be collected, shall be paid over to a Board of Trustees to be appointed by the Grand Master, to be known as the Trustees of the Masonic Home Fund. Said Trustees shall invest and reinvest said money, until the fund on hand is sufficient to justify the establishment of a Home by purchase or erection, which shall be done under such rules and regulations as may hereafter be enacted by Grand Lodge.

9. The tax hereby levied shall be continued for the support and maintenance of said Home, after it shall have been established, until other arrangements therefor shall be made by Grand Lodge.

A petition for a Warrant for a new Lodge to be held at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, was received, and, on motion, referred to the Grand Officers with power to act.

A petition for a Warrant for a new Lodge to be held at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, was received, and, on motion, referred to the Grand Officers with power to act.



An appeal was received from C. A., formerly a member of Lodge No. —, appealing from the action of said Lodge in expelling him from membership, which was referred to the Committee on Appeals.

Brother JAMES M. BEATTY, Past Master of Lodge No. 610, offered the following preamble and resolution, which was referred to the Committee of Seventeen on Masonic Homes.

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1904.

WHEREAS, The balance of Grand Lodge loans still existing amounts to \$198,100, and no payments having been made on said loans since December 1, 1899, therefore,

*Resolved*, That there shall be taken from the income of the Grand Lodge annually the fees as fixed by the Ahiman Rezon of 1867, of two dollars for each initiation, in all Lodges meeting outside of the city of Philadelphia, and two dollars for each initiation, and ten per cent. out of each initiation fee from all Lodges meeting in the city of Philadelphia, together with such additional sums as the Grand Lodge may deem expedient; to be used for the purpose of paying off the balance of Grand Lodge loans still existing until said loans are extinguished, so that the dues and fees shall revert to what they were in 1867, as was the unquestionable intention of the Grand Lodge when the changes were temporarily authorized.

JAMES M. BEATTY, Lodge No. 610.

(Seconded) THOMAS J. OSBORNE, Lodge No. 298.

JACOB G. ZERN, Lodge No. 621.

WILLIAM E. NEVITT, Lodge No. 524.

EDWARD K. TAYLOR, Lodge No. 475.

PAUL P. CLARKE, Lodge No. 400.

Brother JAMES A. WETMORE, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the District of Columbia, addressed Grand Lodge.



Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON, Secretary of the Washington Sesqui-Centennial Anniversary Committee, addressed Grand Lodge as follows :

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER :

I thank both my fellow-members of the Washington Sesqui-Centennial Anniversary Committee for the complimentary supplemental report which they have submitted this evening, and my Brethren of Grand Lodge for the unanimity with which they have adopted the same. It was a pleasure to work with my Brethren of the Committee, who were very zealous in their efforts to make the celebration a success. That it was a success we have the testimony of our visiting Brethren. That success was gratifying to us all, and I may be permitted to say that there was a personal gratification in it, for, some five years ago, I made the, to me, interesting, discovery that at a Special Communication of this Grand Lodge, held in September of 1852, my dear father, the late Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother ROBERT A. LAMBERTON, then the Master of his, and my, Lodge, old Perseverance, No. 21, suggested that the one hundredth anniversary of Washington's initiation be celebrated by the Grand Lodge ; but, it being a Special Communication, the suggestion could not be considered ; and so, while there were celebrations in Philadelphia, in Harrisburg, and other parts of the Jurisdiction, there was none under the auspices of the Grand Lodge.

When the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary was approaching, I determined to be at least in time with the suggestion ; and, at the Quarterly Communication in December, 1901, I suggested the matter to the then Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, and the Past Grand Masters ; and, it meeting with approval, I prepared and introduced at the Annual Grand Communication, 1901, the resolutions which were unanimously adopted and resulted in the celebration.

I may say to the Brethren that the Memorial Volume has

been received with the greatest admiration and highest appreciation by our Brethren in all parts of the globe.

My Brethren, I thank you.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 11 o'clock 20 minutes P.M.

*William A. Sinn*  
*Grand Secretary.*

# Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

## ANNUAL GRAND COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, December 27, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904.

### PRESENT:

Bro. JAMES W. BROWN . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
“ GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
“ GEORGE B. ORLADY . . .	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
“ GEORGE W. GUTHRIE . . .	{ <i>Acting R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
“ THOMAS R. PATTON . . .	
“ WILLIAM A. SINN . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ JOHN A. PERRY . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ WILLIAM J. KELLY . . .	{ <i>Deputy Grand Secretary.</i>
“ EDGAR A. TENNIS . . .	
“ JOHN W. LANSINGER . . .	{ <i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
“ WILLIAM L. GORGAS . . .	
“ THADDEUS S. ADLE . . .	
“ ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . .	
“ CHARLES S. VANDEGRIFT . . .	
“ MATTHEW M. MACMILLAN . . .	
“ HOWARD F. MARSH . . .	
“ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH . . .	
“ JAMES H. MUSSINA . . .	
“ JOHN D. GOFF . . .	
“ J. GRAY BOLTON, D.D. . . .	{ <i>D. D. Grand Masters.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. CHALFANT, D.D. . . .	
“ CHARLES H. BOND . . .	
“ SAMUEL P. KELLY . . .	{ <i>Grand Chaplains.</i>



BRO. JOHN L. KINSEY . . . .	<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
" THOMAS S. STOUT . . . .	<i>Junior Grand Deacon.</i>
" FRANCESCO B. GILBERT . . .	} <i>Grand Stewards.</i>
" CHARLES K. BEECHER . . .	
" WILLIAM J. DIEHL . . . .	<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" GEORGE J. VANDEGRIFT . . .	<i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
" CHARLES S. BAIR . . . .	<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" SAMUEL W. WRAY . . . .	<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

Eighty-three Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 10 o'clock 10 minutes A.M.

Copies of proposed By-Laws and copies of proposed Amendments to By-Laws were received and referred to the Committee on By-Laws.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

The Committee on Appeals made the following report, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted :

PHILADELPHIA, December 27, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons :*

The Committee on Appeals, to whom was referred the appeal of C. A. from the action of Lodge No. —, respectfully reports :

The charge against the appellant was, that he had been tried and convicted in the Dauphin County court of selling liquor without a license.

It appears from the evidence that A., who was working at a place about half-way between Middletown and Hummelstown, had been in the habit of taking orders for beer, etc., as a favor to his countrymen (Italians) and fellow-laborers, for a man engaged in a lawful liquor business in Middletown, who delivered the beer

or liquor and received the money for it. A. had nothing further to do with the transaction after taking the orders, and for which he received no compensation. It really was a test case between the liquor men of Hummelstown and those of Middletown.

A. was indicted December 15, 1897, tried and convicted January 17, 1898, but was never sentenced; the reason for this suspended action, briefly stated, is, that after the conviction his counsel, Brother J. E. F., of Harrisburg, presented an argument for a new trial, in which it was shown to the court, Judge S. presiding, that the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania had decided that a person acting as A. did was not guilty of selling liquor without a license. There was a long list of cases for trial by the court at the time of the trial. The court, not wishing to consume more time, thought the best plan was to submit the matter to the jury and then later dispose of the legal points.

After a full and lengthy argument the judge, in open court, and Brother F. B. W., the District Attorney who tried the case in Quarter Sessions, concurring in the opinion that the conviction could not stand under the law, decided that the defendant need not again appear, and nothing more was done with the case. No further record was made, owing to the death of Judge S., and that record cannot be completed to show that the conviction was set aside and the defendant discharged.

The charges were not preferred against A. in the Lodge until some time after the death of Judge S., a period of nearly six years having elapsed since the trial in the Dauphin County court.

Before the Trial Committee of the Lodge statements were submitted by both Brother F., counsel for the appellant, and Brother W., who represented the Commonwealth, setting forth these facts; notwithstanding which, he was found guilty and expulsion recommended, which punishment was subsequently inflicted.

We possibly would not question the motives for the extraordinary delay of six years in preferring the charges, but from certain remarks made by the Brother who represented the Lodge before the Committee on Appeals, it was very evident that this procedure was brought for an entirely different purpose and for



other reasons than his having been convicted in the Quarter Sessions Court, which are entirely foreign to those charges.

Reference was made before the Trial Committee, as an analogous case, to the report of the Committee on Appeals of that of J. M. M. from the action of Lodge No. —, December 7, 1898, pages 56–60, Grand Lodge Report, 1898, wherein the Committee reported to sustain the Lodge in its vote of expulsion. This was an entirely different matter; the appellant had been tried and found guilty three times for conspiracy to cheat and defraud a Brother Master Mason and various other creditors. No sentence was imposed because he settled the case with the creditors. This, however, did not relieve him of the guilt of the offence, and the Committee on Appeals decided that the action of the Lodge in expelling him was proper, which was sustained by Grand Lodge.

The case of A. shows entirely different conditions. From the facts presented to the Trial Committee there was not sufficient evidence to warrant its decision nor his expulsion by the Lodge. If the members of the Lodge feel aggrieved by other recent actions of A., and believe he should be punished for unmasonic conduct not fully disclosed to the Committee, charges must be preferred covering what they think is such unmasonic conduct, and not fall back on an unlawful conviction in a criminal court of six years standing.

The Committee offer the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the appeal of C. A. from the action of Lodge No. — be sustained, and that he be restored to good Masonic standing and membership in said Lodge.

Fraternally submitted for the Committee,

WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG,  
*Chairman.*

Brother R. HENRY YOUNG, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Delaware, was pleased to visit Grand Lodge, and was received with the customary honors.



## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The Committee on Correspondence submitted their report (see Appendix), which was referred to the Grand Officers, with power to print.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.

The Committee on By-Laws made the following report, and the resolutions attached thereto were adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons :*

Your Committee on By-Laws respectfully report that they have examined the By-Laws and Amendments to By-Laws referred to them and offer the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-Laws of Lodge No. 330 be returned to the Lodge for adjustment of fees, etc., with instructions to provide for a Permanent Fund.

*Resolved*, That the proposed amendments to the By-Laws of Lodges Nos. 606 and 615 be approved.

*Resolved*, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Lodge No. 246, Article XII., Section 6, be approved and Article V., Section 1, be not approved.

Fraternally submitted,

CHARLES CARY,  
JAMES S. BARBER,  
CHARLES F. WIGNALL,  
JAMES W. R. WASHINGTON,  
SYLVESTER S. GARWOOD,  
*Committee on By-Laws.*

PHILADELPHIA, December 27, 1904.

## REPORT OF THE ALMONERS OF THE GRAND LODGE CHARITY FUND.

The Almoners of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons :*

The Almoners of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund respectfully report and present herewith a statement of their proceedings during the year 1904.

They have received and favorably acted upon four hundred and seventy-five (475) applications for relief. The applicants represent the following Jurisdictions :

Pennsylvania . . . . .	432
Delaware . . . . .	15
Arkansas . . . . .	3
Florida . . . . .	3
Virginia . . . . .	2
New York . . . . .	3
Kansas . . . . .	1
Ohio . . . . .	2
South Dakota . . . . .	3
Nova Scotia . . . . .	3
Scotland . . . . .	3
England . . . . .	1
Alabama . . . . .	1
New Jersey . . . . .	1
Massachusetts . . . . .	1
Missouri . . . . .	1
Total . . . . .	<hr/> 475

## CASH ACCOUNT.

Balance from 1903 . . . . .	\$105.00
Appropriation for use of Class No. 1 . . . . .	1600.00
"          "          "          2 . . . . .	800.00
"          "          "          3 . . . . .	800.00
"          "          "          4 . . . . .	1600.00
Additional cash returned, not used . . . . .	15.00
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	\$4920.00
Amount granted to 475 applicants . . . . .	4920.00
Leaving no balance.	<hr/>

The following members of the Board have died during the year: Brother AUGUST GEISSEL, Lodge No. 125; Brother SAMUEL I. GIVEN, Lodge No. 135; Brother EDWARD W. KUHLEMEIER, Lodge No. 295; Brother HARMON JOHNSON, Lodge No. 470.

We thank the Grand Lodge for the extra appropriation, but fear it will be insufficient, as we had to refuse fifteen applicants at our last meeting of December 20. The list of applicants is steadily increasing, and the amount granted, thirty dollars a year to each applicant, is very small, and trust the time is not far distant when we will be able to grant forty dollars a year to each applicant.

AMOS H. HALL,  
*President.*

#### REPORT OF THE STEWARDS OF THE STEPHEN GIRARD CHARITY FUND.

The Stewards of the Stephen Girard Charity Fund made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed:

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons:*

The undersigned, on behalf of the Stewards of the Stephen Girard Charity Fund, submit the following report of their proceedings for the year ending December 26, 1904:



Balance on hand December 26, 1903 . . . . .	\$2265.00
Amount appropriated to Class No. 1 . . . . .	\$700.00
“ “ “ 2 . . . . .	550.00
“ “ “ 3 . . . . .	550.00
“ “ “ 4 . . . . .	700.00
	<hr/> 2500.00
	\$4765.00
“ granted on order No. 44 returned June 9, 1904 . .	15.00
“ “ “ “ “ 51 “ Sept. 30, 1904 . .	5.00
	<hr/> 20.00
	\$4785.00

In the performance of their official duty the Stewards granted relief on one hundred and forty-two applications from poor and respectable Brethren, to wit:

128 from the Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania . . . . .	\$2445.00
4 “ “ “ Scotland . . . . .	45.00
2 “ “ “ District of Columbia . . . . .	35.00
1 “ “ “ Maryland . . . . .	25.00
3 “ “ “ Massachusetts . . . . .	60.00
1 “ “ “ Delaware . . . . .	25.00
1 “ “ “ New York . . . . .	25.00
2 “ “ “ England . . . . .	35.00
<hr/> 142	<hr/> 2695.00
Balance remaining December 26, 1904 . . . . .	\$2090.00

Respectfully submitted,

BARCLAY J. WOODWARD,

*President of Stewards.*

PHILADELPHIA, December 26, 1904.

## REPORT OF THE BURSARS OF THE THOMAS R. PATTON MEMORIAL CHARITY FUND.

The Bursars of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed:

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons:*

The Bursars of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund respectfully report that during the past year they have

expended the following amounts to the persons entitled to the benefits of the said fund :

Class No. 1 to 89 applicants	- . .	\$724.00
“ “ 2 “ 88 “	. .	737.00
“ “ 3 “ 69 “	. .	564.00
“ “ 4 “ 76 “	. .	620.00
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Total	312	\$2645.00

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL H. RHOADS,  
*President of the Board.*

PHILADELPHIA, December 26, 1904.

### ADDRESS OF THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER.

Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother JAMES W. BROWN delivered the following address :

#### BRETHREN OF GRAND LODGE :

It is one year to-day since I lifted the gavel of the Grand Master and assumed the duties of that exalted Station in this Jurisdiction.

It has been a year of light and darkness, of summer and winter, regulating the seasons of seed-time and harvest, and manifesting the fostering care of our Heavenly Father, as has been manifested in the past years since time began.

It has been a year of tranquillity and prosperity to Grand Lodge and the Subordinate Lodges throughout the Jurisdiction.

Harmony has prevailed, and does prevail, between this Grand Lodge and other Grand Lodges with whom we are in correspondence.

It has also been a year of sorrow and bereavement to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

We met during the past year to perform the last sad rites for Brother CONRAD B. DAY, Right Worshipful Past Grand Master, who died January 11, 1904; for Brother CHARLES M. SWAIN, Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden, who died July 23, 1904, and for Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER, Right Worshipful Past Grand Master, who died September 30, 1904.

Their eulogies have been delivered by their nearest friends among the Brethren of the Craft. We bow our wills in humble submission to the decrees of Divine Providence, but we shall long miss their familiar forms, and the encouragement of their presence and voices, as well as their ripened judgment born of long experience.

The official intercourse of the Grand Master with the Brethren of the Jurisdiction, and more particularly with the officers of the Subordinate Lodges, is mainly in reference to the interpretation of the Customs, Usages, and Landmarks of the Fraternity, which are the fundamental bases of Masonic law, and I am gratified to state that my experience proves the genuine loyalty of the Craft to the Ancient Customs, and a strong desire to abide by and practise the laws made for our government by the wisdom of Grand Lodge.



I have had to pass on a number of questions submitted to me for decision, the answers to which, by a careful study of the Ahiman Rezon and the various decisions thereon, heretofore made by my predecessors, and published in full in the Proceedings of Grand Lodge, would have saved some valuable time both to the inquirer and to the Grand Master.

#### SECRETARIES.

There is one subject of great importance to a Lodge in particular, and to Freemasonry in general, and that is the selection of a Secretary.

He should be one so careful in his methods, so exact and precise in his habits, that nothing is taken for granted; as a close application to the Form for Recording the Minutes, correct spelling of names, and promptness in correspondence with the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, would save much valuable time, as well as many innocent sufferers upon whom punishment sometimes severely falls.

#### OFFICERS OF LODGES.

The officers of a Lodge are named in the Ahiman Rezon, and are the only ones permitted to be elected and appointed.

I regret to note a disposition to publish a bulletin of titles and names of appointed officers which never did, and do not now, exist.

Those only to be found in the book above stated may be published.

#### RECOMMENDERS OF PETITIONERS.

Those who are willing to attach their names to petitions as recommenders (both first and second) should have a personal acquaintance with the one seeking Masonic light and knowledge, and no member of a Lodge should become the recommender, in either the first or second instance, unless he knows the petitioner personally, and to be worthy and well qualified for such preferment.

#### TEMPLE SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION.

On Tuesday evening, March 1, 1904, accompanied by the Grand Officers and Past Grand Masters, as well as a goodly number of District Deputy Grand Masters, I made an official visit to the Temple School of Instruction. There were present a large number of officers of Lodges and members of the Craft, all deeply interested in the exemplification of the work. The work of the three Degrees was rehearsed under the direction of Brother WILLIAM B. JOSLYN, Instructor. The rendering of the work was highly creditable to those who participated in it. The good resulting from the establishment of this School has been felt throughout all the Jurisdiction, and much praise is due and hereby given to the several instructors who have rendered such valuable service and given their time in such a good cause,

without any other desire or ambition than to faithfully uphold the ancient tenets and teach the lawful work.

#### ELECTIONEERING FOR OFFICE.

The use of circulars or other documents of like character—printed tickets with the name of the office and that of the person seeking the same in the pursuit of an office in Masonry—has heretofore been forbidden; and my object at this time is to warn the Brethren that the solicitation of votes by printed or written circulars, the circulation of tickets, or any other act not entirely consistent with the teachings of Freemasonry is prohibited.

The practice above referred to has become so objectionable that I feel compelled to speak in rather more decided terms about it than I care to.

Previous to the late election, on December 7, there was a wide distribution of circulars canvassing for the different candidates for Junior Grand Warden. They were evidently distributed in violation of the provisions of the Ahiman Rezon and the cautioning of former Grand Masters. It cannot be possible that all the signers and distributors of these circulars were ignorant of the plain provisions of the law in regard to this practice. It went so far as to result finally in the distribution of an anonymous circular, and one of a more objectionable character, which I did not personally see. There was one case where I spoke to a party signing one of these petitions, calling attention to the fact, and



yet the circular was distributed after that, with his name attached to it.

I feel that if this matter is allowed to continue without some interference or discipline of Grand Lodge, it will result in a state of affairs very disastrous to the peace, harmony, and good-will of the Craft.

I recommend that a resolution of Grand Lodge be adopted, providing for a committee to investigate this subject, and have a report at our next Communication, that it may be acted upon.

My attention has also been called to the publication in newspapers of the reports of the meetings, as well as any business transactions, and election of officers in Subordinate Lodges.

This is prohibited, and the prohibition has been emphasized by several former Grand Masters. "The outside world should not be informed as to what takes place within the walls of the Masonic edifice."

It is hard to trace the source which furnishes such items of information as appeared in some of the papers in this Jurisdiction after the election on December 7, but certainly, if such matters could be traced, it would be the duty of the Grand Master to punish the offenders, for the protection of the Craft.

#### GRAND LODGE DUES.

There was due Grand Lodge on October 11, 1904, from Subordinate Lodges, \$15,627.41, unpaid since the meeting on December 27, 1903. While the penalty

for non-payment of the Grand Lodge dues by Subordinate Lodges is not provided for until the Annual Grand Communication in December, they are still a debt that the Subordinate Lodges owe to Grand Lodge, and should be attended to when the Lodge has money to pay them. I can not sympathize with the feeling which prompts Lodges to invest their money for the sake of getting interest on it for a few months and withholding it from the Grand Lodge. It would seem an injustice for Grand Lodge to charge interest for it, and yet, that is what should be done if this practice is to continue.

#### LODGE FUNDS.

All funds of the Lodges should be deposited by the Treasurer as a separate account in the name and number of the Lodge, and not in any way be kept as personal funds of the Treasurer, or in his individual name in a bank.

This does not mean that there is an intention on the part of the Treasurer to be dishonest, but it has occurred that Treasurers have died when the money was in their individual possession, and was not available to the Lodge of which he was a member until his estate was settled by the civil law. No business organization permits the treasurer to keep the funds in his individual name, and it should not be permitted by a Masonic Lodge.



## MASONIC HOMES.

The question of the Masonic Home was referred, at the Quarterly Communication in December last year, to a Committee of Seventeen, to consider and report fully upon this subject. It is too important a matter to be lightly considered. Taking into consideration the present Masonic Home on Broad Street, Philadelphia, and the establishment of the William L. Elkins Masonic Orphanage for Girls, the corner-stone of which was laid on December 3, which splendid Charity is expected to be turned over to the Masonic Fraternity upon completion of the building, and that the establishment of other homes would embrace the admission not only of aged and infirm Brethren, but also other members of their families, and that part of this would be already accomplished by the William L. Elkins Masonic Orphanage for Girls, the subject must be considered as a whole and from all points. This is receiving due consideration, and will be presented to Grand Lodge when the Committee have fully determined upon a proper plan.

## SUBORDINATE LODGES.

The great prosperity of our Subordinate Lodges is attested by the large membership of a great many of them, principally those in the cities, and I have long felt that the true Masonic spirit would be more universal and Masonic intercourse more general if some Lodges were not so large. It is impossible for the



Brethren to know one another in a Lodge with a membership of four or five hundred, and I believe it would be better, when the Lodges reach that number, if they would divide and start new Lodges. It does not seem to be of any great importance to a Lodge to attain an enormous membership, and certainly no member of any Lodge has a right in any way to attempt to influence people to present their petitions to his Lodge, unless they have signified a desire themselves.

It is a well-known fact, and should be patent to all Masons, that we in no measure throw our doors wide open to all seekers of the Masonic rites. Those who come within our portals should do so of their own free will and accord, and no temptation should be thrown in the way of novices who do not accede to this invariable rule.

#### DECORATIONS.

The decoration of the Temple has proceeded during the past year with vigor, and shows for itself the amount of care, time, and study devoted to the work accomplished.

When the present work of decorating the Halls is finished, and the few remaining rooms have been made to accord with the balance of the edifice, it will be one of the handsomest decorated buildings, not only in the United States, but in the world, and is to-day a credit to our Jurisdiction and an object of admiration to all our visiting Brethren.

I trust this work will be finished without delay, and when done, I would recommend that some provision for keeping the Temple in repair, and in accordance with the high position of this Grand Lodge, should be made by the establishment of a fund, the income of which could be applied to that purpose when necessary, and I also believe that until this is accomplished and some provision of this kind made, and until the question of the Masonic Home or Homes has been determined and authorized by Grand Lodge, there should be no reduction in the income of Grand Lodge or the sums now exacted by it for fees and dues.

The enforcement of the Ancient Usages, Customs, and Landmarks of Freemasonry is part of the duty of the Grand Master. This responsibility has been placed upon me, and my regard for my duty, as well as my affection for my Brethren, will compel me to use every effort to keep them pure and unchanged, and as they have been handed down to us by our predecessors of past ages.

It is not only my duty, but yours, who are members of our Ancient Fraternity, to prevent the introduction of innovations, and it is also our duty to prevent the abolition or obliteration of any of the ancient symbols.

I have long felt that it is the tendency of the age to lose sight of some of these ancient symbols. I have particularly in mind that the letter "G" was declared,

not many years ago, not to be a Masonic symbol in Pennsylvania.

With that decision I have long differed, and at this time I take the occasion to restore it to its proper place as a Masonic symbol, signifying God, or Geometry.

The letter "G" was conspicuous in the Lodge-room wherein I was made a Mason, and it remained there, unquestioned, for many years, and until the use of the room was abandoned.

In connection with the Compasses and the Square, emblematical of the Great Lights in Freemasonry, it has been the most common symbol of Freemasonry known. It is recognized by all of our Sister Jurisdictions in this country, and was always embroidered on the apron of the Grand Master until after the decision affecting it was made.

#### APPOINTMENTS.

To fill the vacancy caused by the death of Brother CONRAD B. DAY, Right Worshipful Past Grand Master, as Chairman of the Committee on Finance, I appointed Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER, Right Worshipful Past Grand Master, and to fill the vacancy as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Stephen Girard Bequest, caused by said appointment, I appointed Brother JOHN L. THOMSON, of Lodge No. 51.

To fill a vacancy on the Board of Trustees of the Stephen Girard Bequest, I appointed Brother EDWARD B. SPENCER, Past Master of Lodge No. 368.



Appointed Brother EDWARD JOACHIM, President ; Brother CHARLES H. BOND, Vice-President ; Brother JOSEPH ORR, Treasurer ; Brother BENJAMIN HAYLLAR, Secretary ; Brother WILLIAM B. JOSLYN, Principal, together with a number of Brethren as Instructors, of the Temple School of Instruction.

Appointed Brother WILLIAM EISEMAN, Past Master of Lodge No. 295, one of the Almoners of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

Appointed Brother JOHN W. HARMER, Past Master of Lodge No. 470, on the Board of Almoners of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

Appointed Brother HOWARD F. MARSH, of Wellsboro, District Deputy Grand Master, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Brother WENTWORTH D. VEDDER, who removed from the District.

Appointed Brother JOHN WANAMAKER a member of the Committee on Library, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

Appointed Brother WILLIAM T. WESTERMAN, Past Master of Lodge No. 135, on the Board of Almoners of Grand Lodge Charity Fund, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

Appointed Brother CARL A. BURGER, Past Master of Lodge No. 125, on the Board of Almoners of Grand Lodge Charity Fund, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

Appointed Brother CHARLES PETERS, Past Master

of Lodge No. 384, on the Board of Stewards of the Stephen Girard Charity Fund, to fill a vacancy caused by resignation.

Appointed Brother WALTER H. BONSALL, Past Master of Lodge No. 296, on the Board of Almoners of Grand Lodge Charity Fund, to fill a vacancy caused by resignation.

Appointed Brother MAX RIEBENACK, Past Master of Lodge No. 158, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER.

Appointed Brother JAMES O. HODGE, Past Master of Lodge No. 114, on the Board of Bursars of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund, to fill a vacancy caused by removal from the Jurisdiction.

#### DECISIONS.

It is unmasonic to use the funds of a Lodge for the payment of the expense of a banquet when others than Masons are present. Only Masons can be present at a Lodge banquet.

A Brother, having been acquitted of a charge made in his Lodge, attempted to resign. I decided that he could not resign from the Lodge, as the question had been appealed to Grand Lodge.

The duties of an Auditing Committee are to examine the books, vouchers, and accounts of the Treas-

urer, Secretary, Trustees, and committees holding or handling funds of a Lodge, and report at least once a year thereon.

A man with more than five toes on one foot and a man with two thumbs on one hand are physically disqualified.

All correspondence relating to Masonic subjects affecting other Jurisdictions must be conducted by the respective Grand Masters, and not by officers of Subordinate Lodges.

No one can be passed to the Chair except in a Lodge of which he is a member, and then only after the Dispensation has been read and acted upon by the Lodge.

Lodge dues are payable annually, unless the By-Laws provide for the payment at other intervals, and at the meeting next preceding St. John's Day.

If not paid at that time, a member is in arrears, and is not entitled to vote or hold office.

Declared New Holland to be neutral territory, as far as relates to *bona fide* residents of that place, but parties residing two miles nearer to Honeybrook, if petitioners to another Lodge, that Lodge must make inquiry of the Lodge at Honeybrook.



Brethren having objections to petitioners should file them with the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, who will notify the Committee of Inquiry, who must determine whether the objections are Masonic.

A Lodge cannot hold a "Fair," or any other affair, for the purpose of raising funds for any object. The use of Masonic signs or emblems for business purposes, or trading upon Freemasonry in any way, is prohibited.

A Lodge cannot contribute of its funds for the furnishing of a room in a hospital. The Lodge name, Lodge-rooms, or Lodge funds cannot be used for any but Masonic purposes.

Declined to issue a roving commission to a Brother to teach the Work in this Jurisdiction.

The Worshipful Master disposes of the Work of the meeting of the Lodge as suits him best. The admission of members, and visitors, when properly vouched for in the Masonic way, is altogether within his power. He should exercise his own judgment in the conduct of the affairs of the Lodge at its meetings, for which he alone is held responsible.

Refused consent to have certain writing bound with the By-Laws of a Lodge.

Refused to allow the use of a Lodge-room or any part of it for the meetings of the Order of the Eastern

Star. That organization is not recognized in this Jurisdiction.

Declined to issue a Dispensation to hold an election for all the officers of a Lodge, as the Lodge did not meet on the evening it should have, at which meeting officers should have been elected. Instructed the Lodge that former officers shall continue in office until their successors are duly installed.

No Brother can be advanced save in the Lodge of which he is a member.

Directed the Treasurer to honor an order of the Lodge drawn upon him for charity, it being his duty to honor all orders when lawfully drawn and not to interpret the motive of the members.

Set aside the action of Lodge No. 312 in balloting for a person of whom inquiry was made by the Secretary of the Grand Secretary under another name.

The law compels a Secretary of a Lodge to notify at once a petitioner who has been rejected.

It is not necessary for an applicant to be in waiting before an oral objection is made.

An oral objection made in open Lodge cannot be withdrawn, but stands as a rejection and must be entered in the minutes without naming the objector.

All communications to Lodges from the Right Worshipful Grand Master, Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, and Right Worshipful Grand Lodge must be written in full in the minutes, after having been read in open Lodge, not pasted therein.

There is no such service as a Lodge of Sorrow in Freemasonry in this Jurisdiction.

It is not within the power of the Grand Master to set aside a rejection by ballot, unless it has been done contrary to law.

Set aside the action of Lodge No. 472 in electing a petitioner to membership, declaring the same unlawful and therefore null and void and of no effect, because the Secretary did not inquire of the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary and receive a favorable reply from him.

Amendments to By-Laws are not in force until the notice of the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary that such have been approved by Grand Lodge is read in open Lodge.

A petitioner to Freemasonry who has an assumed name can only be known by his proper name. He has no other under the law.

The names of members and visitors must be written and handed to the Tyler and by him to the Pursuivant,



to be announced in open Lodge and vouched for before admission.

Refused to permit a so-called chart to be sold to members in this Jurisdiction.

Forbidding the use of Masonic emblems and symbols, or representations of anything pertaining to Freemasonry, by clubs and fairs, and in business advertisements.

A petitioner must be twenty-one years of age at the time his petition is presented to a Lodge.

The amputation of the index-finger at the first joint is a physical disqualification.

Declined to issue a Dispensation to hold an election for Senior Warden. The Junior Warden must act as Senior Warden for the balance of the year.

A member of a Lodge against whom charges are pending has the right to ballot on petitioners. Unless he is found guilty of the charges, he has the same rights and privileges as any other member.

No inquiries need be made of Lodges in Bellevue or Sewickley as to petitioners to Lodges in Pittsburgh, on account of accessibility.

A Dispensation is granted to a Lodge and not to its officers.

We have no such Degree as "Past Master's Degree." We term it "Passing to the Chair."

If the family of a deceased Brother wish the funeral conducted solely by Knights Templar, or any society, it is entirely within its choice, but Masons have laws which govern in such cases.

No Dispensation can be granted whereby one who is under our laws physically disqualified can be made a Mason.

Any and all business transacted in a Masonic Lodge is not for the eye or ear of the public, and any member of a Lodge exposing Lodge transactions will be dealt with according to the laws.

Freemasonry does not proselyte. Those who desire its privileges must seek them of their own free will and accord, and must accept and obey, without condition or reservation, all of its Ancient Usages, Customs, and Landmarks.

One who refused to conform to and obey certain Landmarks of the Craft was disqualified from initiation in any Lodge in this Jurisdiction.

Declined to grant permission to a Past Master to open and conduct the business of a Lodge when the Master and Wardens desired to absent themselves from

a stated meeting in order to attend a conclave of the Grand Commandery.

Declined to permit Masonic ceremonies in the laying of a corner-stone of a church on Sunday.

A Masonic Lodge cannot be used for the purpose of settling business differences.

The Worshipful Master may appoint a member of a Committee of Inquiry to fill a vacancy caused by one who refuses or fails to serve and report in a reasonable time, but he may not make such substitution merely to expedite the advancement of a petitioner and for immediate report. The report must lie over until the next stated meeting of the Lodge.

Hypothetical questions are not considered, but those which arise based on facts and real issues will receive attention.

Newspaper publications of any kind referring to Lodge proceedings are prohibited.

In this Jurisdiction the law is that where a man votes, that establishes his residence.

Directed the Worshipful Master of a Lodge to suspend the Secretary from performing the duties of that office, pending the trial of charges preferred against him; and that the trial must be commenced as soon as



practicable, and pushed to a final conclusion, and, if he should be found not guilty of said charges, he is to be reinstated in his office of Secretary.

A certificate cannot be granted until all dues are paid in full and a resignation accepted by the Lodge.

One who is to be called as a witness cannot serve as a member of a Trial Committee.

There is no law limiting the number composing a Trial Committee, but it is not desirable to have too large a Committee, as it may be difficult to have their attendance at all the sessions.

Upon an inquiry as to whether Masonic objection exists to a petitioner for initiation and membership, a black ball establishes the fact that it does exist, and no matter what the reason may be, it does not change the fact.

There are no funeral services for deceased Master Masons excepting those contained in the Ahiman Rezon.

A Worshipful Master cannot violate or set aside a By-Law.

None but the authorized Work as taught in the Temple School of Instruction is permitted in this Jurisdiction.

The conduct and Work of a Lodge are under the control of the Worshipful Master, and he is responsible.

The Ahiman Rezon, Section 1, Article XIV., page 71, reading, "No visitor shall be admitted during an election of officers," means "No visitor shall be admitted or be present during the election of officers."

In this Jurisdiction an Entered Apprentice Mason becomes a member of a Lodge and therefore amenable for dues, and if delinquent may be dealt with as any other delinquent member. He is subject to the By-Laws of the Lodge.

I have approved of the change in the place of meeting of Lodge No. 606 from Frankford to this Temple, it having been made known to me that action by the Lodge was in accordance with the law.

Directed a Lodge not to adopt a resolution offered by which the members would be compelled to pay the dues in advance. Such a resolution is unlawful.

Summons to attend and show cause why a member should not be suspended for non-payment of dues must be printed on separate sheets of paper from the notices of stated meetings; should be signed by the Master and have the seal of the Lodge attached, attested by the Secretary. Summonses should not be printed on the notices of meetings.

A Lodge cannot hold its stated meetings at any other time than that stated in its By-Laws.

#### DISPENSATIONS.

January 5, to Lodge No. 332, to elect a Junior Warden, owing to the Brother elected declining to be installed.

January 8, to Lodge No. 410, to elect a Treasurer, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

January 12, to Lodge No. 60, to elect a Secretary, owing to the declination to serve of the Brother elected.

January 23, to Lodge No. 433, to elect a Secretary, to fill a vacancy caused by the Secretary-elect declining to be installed.

March 8, to Lodge No. 411, to elect a Treasurer, to fill a vacancy caused by the removal of that officer from this Jurisdiction.

March 10, to Lodge No. 314, to elect a Secretary, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

April 7, to Lodge No. 106, to elect a Secretary, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

April 8, to Lodge No. 376, to elect a Secretary, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

May 7, to Lodge No. 244, to elect a Secretary, to fill a vacancy caused by removal from this Jurisdiction.

May 9, to Lodge No. 283, to elect a Junior Warden, to fill a vacancy caused by removal from this Jurisdiction.

To Lodge No. 333, to hold a special election for Treasurer, to fill a vacancy caused by death.



To Lodge No. 544, to hold a special election for Treasurer, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

To Lodge No. 383, to hold a special election for Treasurer, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

To Lodge No. 443, to hold a special election for Treasurer, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

To Lodge No. 367, to hold a special election for Treasurer, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

#### EDICTS WERE ISSUED AS FOLLOWS :

January 4.—Forbidding Lodge No. 370 and all other Lodges to admit as a visitor and prohibiting the members thereof from having any Masonic affiliation with one who, having been rejected in a Lodge in this Jurisdiction, was made a Mason in another.

January 16.—Set aside the action of a Lodge in initiating a petitioner because no inquiry had been made of the Lodge nearest his place of residence.

January 30.—Forbidding Lodge No. 314 and all other Lodges from admitting as a visitor and prohibiting the members from having any Masonic intercourse with one who, having been rejected therein, was made a Mason in Kentucky.

Forbidding Lodge No. 390 and all other Lodges from admitting as a visitor and prohibiting the members from having any Masonic intercourse with one who, having been rejected therein, was made a Mason in Georgia.

Forbidding Lodge No. 582 and all other Lodges from admitting as a visitor and prohibiting the members from

having any Masonic intercourse with one who, having been rejected therein, was made a Mason in Michigan.

Set aside the action of Lodge No. 315 in unlawfully approving and initiating one who is physically disqualified.

Forbidding Lodge No. 541 and all other Lodges to admit as a visitor one who, having been rejected here, was made a Mason in another Jurisdiction, and prohibiting the Brethren from extending to him any Masonic recognition whatever.

Set aside the action of Lodge No. 325 as unlawful, and therefore null and void and of no effect, Passing to the Chair one who had not been a Master Mason for six months, as per our law.

Setting aside the action of Lodge No. 262, because the Worshipful Master declared a petition null and void, which was not within his power. It was the duty of the Committee of Inquiry to report the petitioner physically disqualified.

OFFICE OF THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER,  
MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA, August 22, 1904.

*To the Worshipful Master :*

My attention has been called to an innovation in some of the Lodges of this Jurisdiction, by the introduction of music during the ceremonies.

In former years it was not found necessary to have anything but the plain Work of the Lodge, beautiful in

its simplicity and teachings, and nothing can be added to make it more effective.

I therefore direct that the use of vocal and instrumental music shall cease in the Lodges during the Work of the Degrees.

If the Brethren of the Lodge desire music, they can have it when no Work is being done, and provided it does not delay the business, or the conferring of the Degrees.

This Edict must be audibly read in your Lodge, at its next stated meeting, and copied in full in the Minutes.

Yours fraternally,

JAMES W. BROWN,

*Grand Master.*

OFFICE OF THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER,  
MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA, August 22, 1904.

*To the Worshipful Master :*

As the time will soon approach when it is customary to present the retiring Worshipful Master with an appropriate Jewel, I desire to reiterate what has often been said, but among some of the Lodges not adhered to or complied with, and that is that the only Jewel permissible to be presented to, and worn by, a Past Master in this Jurisdiction, is one made wholly of silver, without any gold adornment; a description of which may be found in the Ahiman Rezon, page 44, section 4, and an illustration of which may be found on page 224.



I wish it understood that this is the Law, and must be obeyed.

This Edict must be audibly read in your Lodge, at its next stated meeting, and copied in full in the Minutes.

Yours fraternally,

JAMES W. BROWN,

*Grand Master.*

OFFICE OF THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER,  
MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA, August 22, 1904.

*To the Worshipful Master :*

It having come to my knowledge that Worshipful Masters of some of the Lodges are in the habit during the conferring of Degrees, and at other times, of going to the outer door and passing in members and visitors, therefore I issue this Edict against such infringement of the Ancient Landmarks of the Fraternity, and direct the practice to cease. During the conferring of Degrees the outer door must not be opened except to admit candidates.

After a Lodge is opened, no one can be admitted unless his name has been announced in open Lodge by the Pursuivant or Senior Warden, and properly vouched for. Worshipful Masters, while they occupy the Station, may permit the admission of visitors in open Lodge (after the names have been announced and vouched for), but the Pursuivant is the only officer authorized to admit them through the outer door.

This Edict must be audibly read in your Lodge, at its next stated meeting, and copied in full in the Minutes.

Yours fraternally,

JAMES W. BROWN,  
*Grand Master.*

Issued an Edict to Lodge No. 374 and all other Lodges forbidding the admission of one as a visitor who, after being rejected here, was made a Mason in another Jurisdiction; also prohibiting the Brethren from having any Masonic intercourse with him whatever.

A life-member of a Lodge in this city went to a city in the West and became a member of a Lodge there without resigning from the first. I directed the Secretary of the Lodge here to strike his name from its list of members.

Issued an Edict to Lodge No. 43 and all other Lodges, forbidding the admission of one as a visitor who, while a resident of this Jurisdiction, went to another and was made a Mason; also prohibiting the Brethren from having any Masonic intercourse with him whatever.

Issued an Edict to Lodge No. 525 and all other Lodges, forbidding them to receive as a visitor one who, while still a resident of this Jurisdiction, on a visit to Scotland was made a Mason, and prohibiting the members from extending to him any Masonic recognition whatever.

Set aside the action of Lodge No. 262 in initiating a candidate after the expiration of six months from the time of his approval.

Set aside the action of Lodge No. 598 in rejecting a petitioner, whereas no inquiry was made by the Secretary as to whether there was anything on the records of the Grand Secretary's office and a favorable reply received from him.

Set aside the action of Lodge No. 598 in initiating one who had been rejected therein by virtue of objections in a Lodge inquired of.

#### LAYING OF CORNER-STONES.

Issued a Dispensation to Brother WILLIAM M. SEMPLE, District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 9, to lay the corner-stone of Christ Episcopal Church at Stroudsburg.

Issued a Dispensation to Brother WILLIAM D. WHITE, District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 12, to lay the corner-stone of a new Masonic Hall at Shickshinny.

Assisted by a corps of Grand Lodge Officers, I laid the corner-stone of a new Masonic Hall at Carnegie.

Issued a Dispensation to Brother WALTER D. CLARK, District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 26, to lay the corner-stone of a new Masonic Hall at New Castle.

Issued a Dispensation to Brother WILLIAM D. WHITE, District Deputy Grand Master of District No.



12, to lay the corner-stone of St. James's Episcopal Church at Pittston.

Issued a Dispensation to Brother GEORGE H. QUAILL, District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 32, to lay the corner-stone of the First Ward School Building at Bellevue.

Accompanied by a full corps of Grand Lodge Officers, on the 3d of December, I laid the corner-stone of the William L. Elkins Masonic Orphanage for Girls, in Philadelphia.

#### NEW LODGE.

In consequence of my inability to be present at the constitution of Acacia Lodge, No. 633, at Marienville, Forest County, I issued a Dispensation to Brother WILLIAM F. CULLIS, District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 23, to call to his assistance a sufficient number of Brethren and perform that duty for me, and he has advised me that it has been done.

#### SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION.

On March 1, accompanied by the Grand Officers, a visitation was made to the Temple School of Instruction, at which time a rehearsal of the Authorized Work of the three degrees took place.

I was pleased to note the presence of a large number of District Deputy Grand Masters, as well as officers and members of Subordinate Lodges.

I commend this School for the instruction of the

Brethren, and trust they will take advantage of the opportunity offered for their benefit.

Authorized a School of Instruction to be established at Wilkes-Barre, under the direction of Brother WILLIAM D. WHITE, District Deputy Grand Master.

Authorized the continuance of the School of Instruction at Chester, under the direction of Brother JOHN D. GOFF, District Deputy Grand Master.

Authorized the continuance of the School of Instruction at Reading, under the direction of Brother ADAM H. SCHMEHL, District Deputy Grand Master.

Authorized Brother JOHN D. CARR, District Deputy Grand Master, to establish a School of Instruction in Uniontown.

Authorized the continuance of the School of Instruction in Germantown, Philadelphia.

#### VISITATIONS.

Accompanied by a corps of Grand Officers, I made an official visitation to Perseverance Lodge, No. 21, at Harrisburg, on November 10, that being the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of its constitution.

Accompanied by a number of Grand Lodge Officers, I made an official visitation to Industry Lodge, No. 131, in this city.

Visited Robert Burns Lodge, No. 464, on the occasion of its thirty-third anniversary.

Visited Milnor Lodge, No. 287, on the occasion of its semi-centennial anniversary.

Visited Jefferson Lodge, No. 288.

Accompanied by a number of Grand Officers and Brothers MATTHIAS H. HENDERSON and WILLIAM J. KELLY, Right Worshipful Past Grand Masters, I made a visitation to Franklin Lodge, No. 221.

#### PHYSICAL DISQUALIFICATION.

During the past year I have had presented to me, and have passed upon, a great many cases where a perusal of the Ahiman Rezon would set at rest the minds of many members desirous of presenting the names of those who, under our law, are clearly not entitled to admission, and yet, notwithstanding the provisions of our law are so clearly set forth, endeavor to have a Grand Master set aside the law and violate his trust by permitting the claims of friendship or good nature to prevail. Our law is strict. It was made for us, and we must live up to it.

#### INSTRUCTOR OF THE WORK.

Brother WILLIAM B. JOSLYN, whom I appointed Instructor of the Work, and who is in this Temple daily, from ten o'clock A.M. to four o'clock P.M. (except Sundays and holidays), reports to me that instruction has been given during the year to 2049 Brethren, representing 243 Lodges, a very material increase over last year.



I wish to extend my thanks to all the Officers of Grand Lodge, and especially to the District Deputy Grand Masters, as well as all the Committees of the Grand Lodge,—Temple, Library, Appeals, Landmarks, Correspondence, and Finance, and particularly those of the Charity Boards who meet in this Temple weekly to distribute the Charity Funds. Their faithfulness and attention to their several duties has been a source of great gratification to me.

Looking into the future, let us be grateful to Him who doeth all things well, and invoke the Divine Protection and Guidance for the Peace and Prosperity of our Fraternity.

Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden Brother GEORGE B. ORLADY offered the following resolution, which was, on motion, adopted :

*Resolved*, That the manner in which the names of Brethren who may be candidates for the station of Junior Grand Warden, and for the stations of the elective officers of the Subordinate Lodges, should be presented to the members for support be referred to and defined by the Committee on Landmarks, which shall make a report thereon at the Quarterly Communication in March next.

The Committee on Finance made the following report, which was, on motion, adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania :*

In the matter of the Preamble and Resolution offered at the Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge on the 7th instant,

referred to the Committee of Seventeen on Masonic Homes, and by it to this Committee, we have considered the subject matter thereof, and report that we do not approve.

MAX RIEBENACK,  
EZRA S. BARTLETT,  
FRANK M. HIGHLEY,  
*Committee on Finance.*

So much of the minutes of the Quarterly Communication, held December 7, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904, as relates to the election of Grand Officers was read.

Brother JOSIAH W. EWAN, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of New Jersey, was pleased to visit Grand Lodge, and was received with the customary honors.

The following-named Brethren were duly installed in their respective stations for the ensuing Masonic year in ancient and solemn form, were thrice proclaimed as such, and received the salutations of the Craft :

BRO. JAMES W. BROWN . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
" GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
" GEORGE B. ORLADY . . .	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
" GEORGE W. GUTHRIE . . .	<i>R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
" THOMAS R. PATTON . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
" WILLIAM A. SINN . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>

The following telegrams from the Grand Master of New Jersey and the Grand Secretary of New York were read :

NEWARK, N. J., December 27, 1904.

JAMES W. BROWN,

Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia :

Severe cold and sore throat prevents my going out. Kindly accept regrets for absence and greetings from Grand Lodge of New Jersey.

J. H. WILKINS,  
*Grand Master.*

NEW YORK, December 27, 1904.

JAMES W. BROWN,

Grand Master, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia :

Unavoidably detained. Heartiest and best wishes to Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

E. M. L. EHLERS,  
*Grand Secretary.*

Brother TOWNSEND SCUDDER, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master of New York, was pleased to visit Grand Lodge, and was received with the customary honors.

### APPOINTMENTS.

Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother JAMES W. BROWN announced the following appointments for the present Masonic year :

#### *Grand Chaplains:*

- BRO. CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD, D.D., of Pittsburgh.
- “ JAMES W. ROBINS, D.D., of Philadelphia.
- “ CHARLES M. STOCK, D.D., of Hanover.
- “ J. GRAY BOLTON, D.D., of Philadelphia.
- “ GRAFTON T. REYNOLDS, of Pittsburgh.
- “ WILLIAM B. CHALFANT, D.D., of Philadelphia.



- BRO. RICHARD H. WHARTON, of Hastings.  
 “ CHARLES H. BOND, of Philadelphia.  
 “ GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN, D.D., of Philadelphia.  
 “ FRANK B. LYNCH, D.D., of Philadelphia.  
 “ JOHN P. NORMAN, of Monongahela City.  
 “ EDWARD G. LOUGHRY, D.D., of West Newton.  
 “ JOHN P. W. BLATTENBERGER, D.D., of Philadelphia.  
 “ SAMUEL P. KELLY, of Philadelphia.  
 “ EDGAR COPE, of Philadelphia.  
 “ BENJAMIN F. DELO, of Clarion.

*Senior Grand Deacon:*

BRO. JOHN L. KINSEY.

*Junior Grand Deacon:*

BRO. SIMON B. CAMERON.

*Grand Stewards:*

BRO. ALFRED E. BURNAFORD.

“ FRANCESCO B. GILBERT.

*Grand Marshal:*

BRO. WILLIAM J. DIEHL.

*Grand Sword Bearer:*

BRO. DAVID F. COLLINGWOOD.

*Grand Pursuivant:*

BRO. CHARLES S. BAIR.

*Grand Tyler:*

BRO. SAMUEL W. WRAY.

*Trustees of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund:*

- BRO. JOHN S. STEVENS.  
 “ STOCKTON BATES.  
 “ JOHN R. FANSHAW.  
 “ JESSE J. BARKER.  
 “ STEPHEN GREENE.

*Trustees of the Girard Bequest:*

- BRO. JOHN L. THOMSON.  
 “ ALEXANDER H. MORGAN.  
 “ CHARLES K. FRANCIS.  
 “ EDWARD PERRY.  
 “ EDWARD B. SPENCER.

*Trustees of the Title to the Masonic Temple and other Real Estate of Grand Lodge:*

- BRO. GEORGE S. GRAHAM.  
 “ S. KINGSTON McCAY.  
 “ GEORGE T. OLIVER.  
 “ GEORGE W. SPIESE.  
 “ H. OSCAR KLINE.

*Trustees of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund:*

- BRO. WILLIAM J. KELLY, R. W. Past Grand Master.  
 “ PETER BOYD.  
 “ JAMES M. LAMBERTON.  
 “ EDMUND D. SCHOLEY.  
 “ THOMAS R. PATTON, JR.

*Trustees of the Stephen Taylor Bequest:*

- BRO. HENRY Z. ZIEGLER.  
 “ SAMUEL W. WRAY.  
 “ THEODORE E. WIEDERSHEIM.  
 “ GEORGE W. HALL, Lodge No. 121.  
 “ HENRY W. SMITH.

*Trustees of the Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Funds:*

BRO. THOMAS R. PATTON, R. W. Grand Treasurer.

“ PETER BOYD.

“ LOUIS WAGNER.

“ EDWIN S. STUART.

“ GEORGE W. KENDRICK, 3D.

*Commissioners of Sinking Fund:*

BRO. MATTHIAS H. HENDERSON, R. W. Past Grand Master.

“ SAMUEL B. DICK, R. W. Past Grand Master.

“ HENRY M. DECHERT.

“ ATWOOD SMITH.

“ DANIEL BAIRD, JR.

*Committee on Landmarks:*

BRO. SAMUEL B. DICK, R. W. Past Grand Master.

“ MATTHIAS H. HENDERSON, R. W. Past Grand Master.

“ WILLIAM J. KELLY, R. W. Past Grand Master.

“ EDGAR A. TENNIS, R. W. Past Grand Master.

WITH THE R. W. GRAND MASTER and  
R. W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

*Committee on Appeals:*

BRO. WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG.

“ WILLIAM B. HANNA.

“ ABRAHAM M. BEITLER.

“ CASPER DULL.

“ GEORGE C. BURGWIN.



*Committee on Finance:*

- BRO. MAX RIEBENACK.  
 “ AZARIAH W. HOOPES.  
 “ EZRA S. BARTLETT.  
 “ FRANK M. HIGHLEY.  
 “ WILLIAM McCONWAY.

*Committee on Correspondence:*

- BRO. JAMES M. LAMBERTON.  
 “ LEE S. SMITH.  
 “ WILLIAM N. SEIBERT.  
 “ OWEN M. COPELIN.  
 “ MURDOCH KENDRICK.

*Committee on By-Laws:*

- BRO. CHARLES CARY.  
 “ JAMES S. BARBER.  
 “ CHARLES F. WIGNALL.  
 “ JAMES W. R. WASHINGTON.  
 “ SYLVESTER S. GARWOOD.

*Committee on Printing and Publishing:*

- BRO. M. RICHARDS MUCKLÉ.  
 “ WILLIAM H. BELLOWS.  
 “ WALTER SCOTT.  
 “ FREDERICK CONSTANTINE.  
 “ EDWARD A. STOCKTON.

*Committee on Temple:*

- BRO. WILLIAM J. KELLY, R. W. Past Grand Master.  
 “ HIBBERT P. JOHN.  
 “ JAMES B. DUFFY.  
 “ G. ELLWOOD WAGNER.  
 “ Z. TAYLOR RICKARDS.

*Committee on Library:*

- BRO. LOUIS WAGNER.  
 “ I. LAYTON REGISTER.  
 “ THOMAS S. STOUT.  
 “ WILLIAM D. McILROY.  
 “ SAMUEL W. LATTA.  
 “ CHARLES L. LOCKWOOD.  
 “ JOHN WANAMAKER.

*District Deputy Grand Masters:*

- 1.—Brother JOHN W. LANSINGER, of Millersville, for  
Lodges Nos. 43, 156, 417, 476, 496, 551, and 587  
in Lancaster County.
- 2.—Brother WILLIAM L. GORGAS, of Harrisburg, for  
the County of Dauphin, and that part of the County  
of Northumberland east and south of the Susque-  
hanna River, and Lodge No. 226 in Lebanon  
County.
- 3.—Brother SAMUEL M. GOODYEAR, of Carlisle, for  
the Counties of Cumberland, Franklin (except  
Lodge No. 586), and Fulton.
- 4.—Brother GEORGE H. SHIRK, of Hanover, for  
Lodges Nos. 336 and 465 in Adams County, and  
for Lodges Nos. 348 and 423 in York County, and  
Lodge No. 586 in Franklin County.
- 5.—Brother DAVID H. WEAVER, of Coatesville, for  
Lodges Nos. 309, 322, 340, 343, 383, 405, 564, and  
569 in Chester County.

- 6.—Brother THADDEUS S. ADLE, of Norristown, for Lodges Nos. 190, 273, 310, 420, 558, and 620 in Montgomery County, and Lodge No. 581 in Delaware County.
- 7.—Brother ADAM H. SCHMEHL, of Reading, for the Counties of Berks and Lebanon, except Lodge No. 226.
- 8.—Brother CHARLES S. VANDEGRIFT, of Eddington, for the County of Bucks, and for Lodges Nos. 308, 400, and 410 in Montgomery County.
- 9.—Brother WILLIAM M. SEMPLE, of Easton, for the Counties of Northampton and Monroe.
- 10.—Brother AARON R. TRUMBOWER, of Passer, for the Counties of Carbon and Lehigh, and Lodge No. 327 in Luzerne County.
- 11.—Brother MATTHEW M. MACMILLAN, of Mahanoy City, for the County of Schuylkill.
- 12.—Brother WILLIAM D. WHITE, of Wilkes-Barre, for the County of Luzerne (except Lodge No. 327), and for Lodge No. 462 in Columbia County.
- 13.—Brother THOMAS F. WELLS, of Scranton, for the County of Lackawanna, and Lodge No. 341 in Wyoming County.
- 14.—Brother WILLIAM H. HULSIZER, of Honesdale, for the Counties of Wayne and Pike.



- 15.—Brother HOMER E. SPENCER, of Susquehanna, for the County of Susquehanna, and Lodge No. 438 in Wyoming County.
- 16.—Brother JAMES WILSON PIATT, of Tunkhannock, for the Counties of Bradford and Sullivan, and Lodges Nos. 248 and 263 in Wyoming County.
- 17.—Brother HOWARD FRANKLIN MARSH, of Wellsboro, for the County of Tioga.
- 18.—Brother JAMES A. PUGH, of Williamsport, for the Counties of Lycoming and Union, and for Lodge No. 401 in Northumberland County.
- 19.—Brother EZRA C. DOTY, of Mifflintown, for the Counties of Perry, Juniata, and Mifflin.
- 20.—Brother BOYD G. STEEL, of Altoona, for the County of Blair.
- 21.—Brother WILSON I. FLEMING, of Bellefonte, for the Counties of Centre and Clearfield, and for Lodge No. 534 in Jefferson County.
- 22.—Brother SOLOMON R. DRESSER, of Bradford, for the County of McKean (except Lodge No. 566).
- 23.—Brother WILLIAM F. CULLIS, of Oil City, for the Counties of Warren, Forest, and Venango (except Lodge No. 552).
- 24.—Brother DAVID A. SAWDEY, of Erie, for the County of Erie.

- 25.—Brother ADRIAN W. McCOY, of Meadville, for the County of Crawford.
- 26.—Brother WALTER D. CLARK, of New Castle, for the Counties of Mercer and Lawrence (except Lodge No. 411).
- 27.—Brother WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, of Kittanning, for the Counties of Armstrong, Butler, Clarion, and Jefferson (except Lodges Nos. 429, 437, and 534), and for Lodge No. 552 in Venango County.
- 28.—Brother WILLIAM M. HAMILTON, of Pittsburgh, for that part of the County of Allegheny south of the Allegheny and Ohio Rivers (except Lodges Nos. 375, 510, 526, 548, 582, 583, 590, 612, and 613).
- 29.—Brother JAMES W. McDOWELL, of Washington, for the Counties of Washington and Greene, except Lodges Nos. 237, 337, 461, 615, and 626 in Washington County.
- 30.—Brother JOHN S. SELL, of Greensburg, for the County of Westmoreland (except Lodge No. 617).
- 31.—Brother JOHN D. CARR, of Uniontown, for the County of Fayette.
- 32.—Brother GEORGE H. QUAILL, of Bellevue, for that part of the County of Allegheny north of the Allegheny and Ohio Rivers.
- 33.—Brother JAMES HARRIS MUSSINA, of Lock Haven, for the Counties of Clinton, Elk, and Cameron, and for Lodge No. 566 in McKean County.

- 34.—Brother WILLIAM L. JOHNSTON, of Huntingdon, for the Counties of Huntingdon and Bedford.
- 35.—Brother JOHN W. FARNSWORTH, of Danville, for the Counties of Montour, Snyder, and Columbia (except Lodge No. 462), and for Lodges Nos. 256 and 404 in Northumberland County.
- 36.—Brother JOHN D. GOFF, of Chester, for the County of Delaware (except Lodge No. 581) and for Lodges Nos. 353, 475, and 545 in Chester County.
- 37.—Brother FRANK C. O'ROURKE, of New Brighton, for the County of Beaver, and for Lodge No. 429 in Butler County, and Lodge No. 411 in Lawrence County.
- 38.—Brother SAMUEL HAMILTON, of Braddock, for Lodges Nos. 375, 510, 548, 582, 583, 590, 612, and 613 in Allegheny County south of the Allegheny and Ohio Rivers.
- 39.—Brother WILLIAM S. DAUGHERTY, of Indiana, for the County of Indiana, and Lodge No. 617 in Westmoreland County, and Lodge No. 437 in Armstrong County.
- 40.—Brother WILLIAM HAHN MAXWELL, of Pottstown, for Lodges Nos. 254, 585, and 595 in Montgomery County, and Lodges Nos. 75, 446, and 553 in Chester County.
- 41.—Brother JOHN J. JONES, of Johnstown, for the Counties of Cambria and Somerset.



42.—Brother RICHARD E. COCHRAN, of York, for  
Lodges Nos. 266, 451, and 503 in York County, and  
for Lodges Nos. 286 and 398 in Lancaster County.

43.—Brother GEORGE B. FRANTZ, of Coal Centre, for  
Lodges Nos. 237, 337, 461, 615, and 626 in Wash-  
ington County, and Lodge No. 526 in Allegheny  
County.

44.—Brother EDGAR W. ROBINSON, of Coudersport, for  
the County of Potter.

Brother WILLIAM B. JOSLYN, of Philadelphia,  
Instructor of Work.

*Almoners of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund:*

BROTHER	WILLIAM D. SHUSTER . .	Lodge No.	2
"	JOSEPH J. WILLIAMS . .	"	3
"	GEORGE WENNER . . .	"	9
"	WILLIAM H. GARDNER .	"	19
"	JOHN M. ZOOK . . . . .	"	51
"	ROBERT W. FAGAN . . .	"	52
"	AMOS H. HALL . . . . .	"	59
"	ALTON L. MILLER . . .	"	67
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"	THOMAS J. BELVILLE . .	"	72
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"	ALBERT H. LADNER . .	"	91
"	DAVID W. STEWART . .	"	114
"	JOHN W. WALLACE . . .	"	115
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"	JAMES LANING . . . . .	"	126
"	ROBERT A. ARTHUR . .	"	130
"	HENRY D. McCARTHY . .	"	131

BROTHER	ROBERT C. STRAFFORD .	Lodge No. 134
"	WILLIAM T. WESTERMAN	" 135
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"	GEORGE F. POWELL . .	" 211
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"	A. LINCOLN ACKER . . .	" 384
"	WILLIAM J. DIVINE . .	" 385
"	ADOLPHUS G. BUVINGER	" 386
"	WILLIAM H. WEBB . . .	" 393
"	FRANK M. HIGHLEY . .	" 402
"	JOHN F. RAU . . . . .	" 419
"	FRANK P. MASON . . .	" 432
"	CHAS. G. CADWALLADER .	" 436
"	WILLIAM J. MILLIGAN .	" 441
"	ANDREW S. SMITH . . .	" 444
"	WILLIAM H. SIVEL . . .	" 449
"	J. GEORGE COPE . . .	" 450
"	CHARLES A. WEIDEMANN	" 453
"	CHARLES W. CARNS, JR. .	" 456
"	JOHN W. HARMER . . .	" 470
"	GEORGE S. COYNE . . .	" 481

BROTHER	THOMAS F. GROSS . . .	Lodge No. 482
"	THOMAS W. BEARDWOOD	" 487
"	T. HERBERT ONYX . . .	" 491
"	ALONZO P. CUNDEY . . .	" 493
"	CHARLES S. CLARK . . .	" 500
"	MATTHIAS COATS . . .	" 506
"	SAMUEL LAMOND . . .	" 519
"	MILTON A. NEFF . . .	" 527
"	WILLIAM A. PATTERSON .	" 528
"	ISAIAH T. BOSSERT . .	" 529
"	ELIJAH TAYLOR . . .	" 543
"	BENJAMIN B. OSBORN .	" 591
"	CHARLES MERZ . . .	" 600
"	JOHN F. ABBOTT . . .	" 605
"	J. P. W. BLATTENBERGER	" 606
"	PAUL J. PONTIUS . . .	" 607
"	FRANK JARRETT . . .	" 609
"	GEORGE W. KENDRICK, 3D	" 610
"	WILLIAM S. WRAY . . .	" 624
"	SAMUEL W. LATTA . . .	" 631

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BROTHER	WILLIAM H. SHOEMAKER	Lodge No. 2
"	JOHN B. ALLEN . . .	" 3
"	JOHN MATTHEWS . . .	" 9
"	HENRY C. WATT . . .	" 19
"	JOHN C. CORNELIUS . .	" 51
"	B. NORMAN TUTTLE . .	" 52
"	J. THOMAS MOORE . . .	" 59
"	ADOLPH HAUG . . .	" 67
"	SAMUEL HARRISON . .	" 71
"	CHARLES E. ROBERTS .	" 72
"	WALTER BOWDITCH . .	" 81
"	GEORGE L. RAPP . . .	" 91
"	THOMAS JACOBS . . .	" 114



BROTHER	WILLIAM D. GARITEE . .	Lodge No. 115
"	SAMUEL B. CHAPMAN .	" 121
"	AUGUST GEISSEL, JR. . .	" 125
"	I. ROBERTS NEWKIRK .	" 126
"	I. NEWTON ROBERTS . .	" 130
"	LEWIS McMAKIN . . .	" 131
"	FRANK H. GARDINER .	" 134
"	EDWARD T. ALBURGER .	" 135
"	MILLER BROWN . . . .	" 155
"	EDWARD A. STOCKTON .	" 158
"	BARCLAY J. WOODWARD	" 186
"	GEORGE W. KELLY . . .	" 187
"	JOHN YEO . . . . .	" 211
"	JAS. W. R. WASHINGTON	" 230
"	WILLIAM H. MANEELY .	" 246
"	SAMUEL DAVIS . . . .	" 271
"	HARRY K. LEECH . . .	" 274
"	SAMUEL J. BREDIN . . .	" 289
"	JOHN BURNS . . . . .	" 292
"	BENJAMIN HAYLLAR .	" 295
"	JAMES R. KENDRICK . .	" 296
"	F. C. CHARLES STROH .	" 359
"	GEORGE W. WILGUS . .	" 368
"	FRANK E. TOWNSEND .	" 369
"	EDWARD J. NOWLAND .	" 380
"	CHARLES PETERS . . .	" 384
"	CHARLES SUMMERFIELD	" 385
"	GEORGE DIXON . . . .	" 386
"	WESLEY FENNIMORE .	" 393
"	LEVI B. McCLEES . . .	" 402
"	WILLIAM A. RHOADS . .	" 419
"	HENRY G. BRUNER . . .	" 432
"	G. SICKEL HEADMAN . .	" 436
"	SAMUEL CAMPBELL . .	" 441
"	EDWARD L. PERKINS . .	" 444

BROTHER	CHARLES C. HALL . . .	Lodge No. 449
"	GEORGE W. MORRIS . .	" 450
"	JOHN C. VARWIG . . .	" 453
"	WILLIAM J. ATTWOOD .	" 456
"	RICHARD COPE . . . .	" 470
"	THOMAS A. HARRIS . .	" 481
"	MARTIN EVOY . . . .	" 482
"	WM. H. SHENEMAN, JR. .	" 487
"	JOHN W. KOONS . . . .	" 491
"	B. FRANK SCHOLL . . .	" 493
"	WALTER SCOTT . . . .	" 500
"	CHARLES R. SHOEMAKER	" 506
"	JOHN BREUNINGER . .	" 519
"	ALVA F. TOD . . . .	" 527
"	ARTHUR A. MUTH . . .	" 528
"	JOSEPH GLADING . . .	" 529
"	GEORGE W. LYSTER . .	" 543
"	GEORGE D. FEIDT . . .	" 591
"	FREDERICK MERZ . . .	" 600
"	SAMUEL F. CLEVANGER .	" 605
"	ALEX. J. H. MACKIE . .	" 606
"	MARVIN M. EAVENSON .	" 607
"	GEORGE W. HOBSON . .	" 609
"	GEORGE HALE . . . .	" 610
"	RICHARD R. ANDERSON .	" 624
"	DANIEL W. NEAD . . .	" 631

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BROTHER	SAMUEL H. RHOADS . .	Lodge No. 2
"	SAMUEL LAUGHLIN . .	" 3
"	JOHN C. TAYLOR . . .	" 9
"	ALFRED J. WILKINSON .	" 19
"	EUGENE T. LINNARD . .	" 51
"	JOHN H. GEIL . . . .	" 52
"	JOHN P. MACBEAN . . .	" 59

BROTHER	WILLIAM B. BICKER . .	Lodge No. 67
"	WILLIAM H. HILSEE . .	" 71
"	THEODORE EVANS . . .	" 72
"	JOHN ROBINSON . . .	" 81
"	GEORGE W. SEELER . .	" 91
"	JAMES O. HODGE . . .	" 114
"	JEROME B. JARDELLA .	" 115
"	WM. HASSALL WILSON .	" 121
"	GEORGE R. J. BURGERT .	" 125
"	LEON B. TANTUM . . .	" 126
"	WILLIAM B. MORISON .	" 130
"	ROBERT J. CAMPBELL .	" 131
"	SAMUEL O. STOKES . .	" 134
"	ISAIAH T. RYAN . . .	" 135
"	CHARLES PFLAUM . . .	" 155
"	CHARLES H. BOWEN . .	" 158
"	J. HARRY LEWIS . . .	" 186
"	DAVID T. DAVIES . . .	" 187
"	SAMUEL ABEL . . . .	" 211
"	JOHN E. CHRISTIAN . .	" 230
"	HENRI C. KING . . . .	" 246
"	SAMUEL K. LOUCHHEIM .	" 271
"	MICHAEL YOUNG . . .	" 274
"	JAMES TAITT . . . .	" 289
"	WILLIAM H. WEISS . .	" 292
"	JOHN E. CHEESEMAN . .	" 295
"	WALTER JONES . . . .	" 296
"	C. HEINRICH WIEGAND .	" 359
"	J. PARKER CRITTENDEN	" 368
"	JOHN MOSER . . . .	" 369
"	DANIEL W. SIMKINS . .	" 380
"	HENRY A. GENTNER . .	" 384
"	P. FRAILEY WELLS . . .	" 385
"	WILLIAM A. WITHERUP .	" 386
"	CHARLES CRANE, JR. . .	" 393



BROTHER	RICHARD MARIS . . . .	Lodge No. 402
"	JULIUS E. BLAMBERG . .	" 419
"	JOHN FETCH . . . .	" 432
"	FRANK C. HEADMAN . .	" 436
"	GEORGE H. MARCY . . .	" 441
"	EDWIN H. TAGGART . .	" 444
"	WILLIAM G. GREEBY . .	" 449
"	JOSEPH BUTLER . . . .	" 450
"	EDWARD SINGLES . . .	" 453
"	WILLIAM McCOACH . .	" 456
"	JOHN McNEILL . . . .	" 470
"	CHARLES H. BRELSFORD	" 481
"	WILLIAM H. WALTER . .	" 482
"	WILLIAM L. MEGARY . .	" 487
"	LEWIS W. METZGER . .	" 491
"	ROBERT F. MUSTIN, JR. .	" 493
"	WM. F. ENGLEHART, JR. .	" 500
"	EDWIN M. THOMAS . .	" 506
"	CHARLES M. BACON . .	" 519
"	HARRY W. SHELLY . . .	" 527
"	JAMES McCONNELL . .	" 528
"	WALTER E. BRAND . . .	" 529
"	JOHN LAWRENCE . . . .	" 543
"	WILLARD E. BARCUS . .	" 591
"	WARREN T. RAWSON . .	" 600
"	WILLIAM H. ABBOTT . .	" 605
"	ADAM P. WITTEMAN . .	" 606
"	WILLIAM C. NEELY . . .	" 607
"	FREDERICK G. EGGART .	" 609
"	A. HOWARD THOMAS . .	" 610
"	ROBERT B. ROSS . . . .	" 624
"	EDWIN C. TOWN . . . .	" 631

The Right Worshipful Grand Secretary appointed Brother JOHN A. PERRY Deputy Grand Secretary, which was approved by Grand Lodge.

The following amendment to the Ahiman Rezon, offered by the Committee of Seventeen on Masonic Homes, was laid over until the Quarterly Communication, December next, in accordance with Article XXV., page 71, Ahiman Rezon.

In compliance with a resolution of Grand Lodge adopted June 1st, 1904, the Committee on Masonic Homes submit the following :

*Resolved*, That the Ahiman Rezon be amended by adding to Article XIII. the following: Section 43. The Committee of the Masonic Homes shall consist of the Right Worshipful Grand Master, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Senior and Junior Grand Wardens of the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania and Masonic Jurisdiction Thereunto Belonging, and seven members of Grand Lodge who shall be chosen annually, by ballot, at the Quarterly Communication next preceding St. John the Evangelist's Day; whose duty it shall be to provide for the establishment of, admission to, and management of Masonic Homes in this Jurisdiction, under such rules and regulations as may be approved by Grand Lodge; and shall make report of all proceedings at the Quarterly Communication in December.

If more than seven Brethren be balloted for, the seven who receive the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. In the event that two or more Brethren receive an equal number of votes, the Right Worshipful Grand Master, the Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden, and the Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden shall each cast a ballot for one of the Brethren who received an equal number of votes, in addition to the vote as announced, until seven Brethren shall have received the highest number of votes, to serve until their successors are elected.

In the event of a vacancy occurring during the Masonic year, the Right Worshipful Grand Master shall fill such vacancy by appointment.

Brother R. HENRY YOUNG, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Delaware, addressed Grand Lodge.

Brother TOWNSEND SCUDDER, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master of New York, addressed Grand Lodge.

Brother JOSIAH W. EWAN, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of New Jersey, addressed Grand Lodge.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 12 o'clock 40 minutes P.M.

*William A. Sinn*  
*Grand Secretary.*







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*Engraved by Samuel Sartain, Phil<sup>a</sup>*

*Saml H. Perkins*

*R. W. Grand Master,  
1839-1840.*



## APPENDIX.

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### LIST OF LODGES ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY ACCORDING TO PLACES OF MEETING.

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Albion .....	No. 24.....	Western Star .....	304
Allegheny .....	" 32.....	Allegheny .....	223
" .....	" 32.....	Jefferson .....	288
" .....	" 32.....	McKinley .....	318
" .....	" 32.....	Davage .....	374
" .....	" 32.....	Stuckrath .....	430
" .....	" 32.....	Ionic .....	525
Allentown .....	" 10.....	Barger .....	333
" .....	" 10.....	Greenleaf .....	561
Altoona .....	" 20.....	Mountain .....	281
" .....	" 20.....	Logan .....	490
" .....	" 20.....	Hiram .....	616
Apollo .....	" 39.....	Apollo .....	437
Ardmore .....	" 6.....	Cassia .....	273
Ashland .....	" 11.....	Ashland .....	294
Ashley .....	" 12.....	Coalville .....	474
Athens .....	" 16.....	Rural Amity .....	70
Austin .....	" 44.....	Arcana .....	580
Bangor .....	" 9.....	Bangor .....	565
Bath .....	" 9.....	Manoquesy .....	413
Beallsville .....	" 43.....	Beallsville .....	237
Beaver .....	" 37.....	St. James .....	457
Beaver Falls .....	" 37.....	Beaver Valley .....	478
Bedford .....	" 34.....	Bedford .....	320
Bellefonte .....	" 21.....	Bellefonte .....	268
Bellevue .....	" 32.....	Bellevue .....	530
Berwick .....	" 12.....	Knapp .....	462
Bethlehem .....	" 9.....	Bethlehem .....	283
Birdsboro' .....	" 7.....	Union .....	479
Blairsville .....	" 39.....	Acacia .....	355
Bloomsburg .....	" 35.....	Washington .....	265



PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Blossburg .....	No. 17.....	Bloss .....	350
Braddock .....	" 38.....	Braddock's Field .....	510
Bradford .....	" 22.....	Union .....	334
Bristol .....	" 8.....	Bristol .....	25
Brookville .....	" 27.....	Hobah .....	276
Brownsville .....	" 31.....	Brownsville .....	60
Burgettstown .....	" 29.....	Richard Vaux .....	454
Butler .....	" 27.....	Butler .....	272
Cambridge Springs .....	" 25.....	Covenant .....	473
Canonsburg .....	" 29.....	Chartiers .....	297
Canton .....	" 16.....	Canton .....	415
Carbondale .....	" 13.....	Carbondale .....	249
Carlisle .....	" 3.....	Cumberland Star .....	197
" .....	" 3.....	St. John's .....	260
Carnegie .....	" 28.....	Centennial .....	544
Catasauqua .....	" 10.....	Porter .....	284
Catawissa .....	" 35.....	Catawissa .....	349
Centre Hall .....	" 21.....	Old Fort .....	537
Chambersburg .....	" 3.....	George Washington ....	143
Charleroi .....	" 43.....	Charleroi .....	615
Chester .....	" 36.....	Chester .....	236
" .....	" 36.....	Lucius H. Scott .....	352
Chestnut Hill, Philadel- phia .....	Grand Master.....	Hiram .....	81
Chicora .....	No. 27.....	Argyle .....	540
Christiana .....	" 1.....	Christiana .....	417
Clarion .....	" 27.....	Clarion .....	277
Clark's Summit .....	" 13.....	Waverly .....	301
Claysville .....	" 29.....	Claysville .....	447
Clearfield .....	" 21.....	Clearfield .....	314
Coal Centre .....	" 43.....	Monongahela Valley ....	461
Coalport .....	" 21.....	Coalport .....	574
Coatesville .....	" 5.....	Goddard .....	383
" .....	" 5.....	Coatesville .....	564
Cochranville .....	" 5.....	Skerrett .....	343
Columbia .....	" 42.....	Columbia .....	286
Columbus .....	" 23.....	Columbus .....	264
Concordville .....	" 36.....	Concord .....	625
Conneautville .....	" 25.....	Western Crawford ....	258
Connellsville .....	" 31.....	King Solomon .....	346
Conshohocken .....	" 6.....	Fritz .....	420
Coopersburg .....	" 10.....	Saucon .....	469
Corry .....	" 24.....	Corry .....	365
Coudersport .....	" 44.....	Eulalia .....	342

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Cressona .....	No. 11.....	Cressona .....	426
Curwensville .....	" 21.....	Noble .....	480
Dallas .....	" 12.....	George M. Dallas .....	531
Danville .....	" 35.....	Danville .....	224
" .....	" 35.....	Mahoning .....	516
Dawson .....	" 31.....	James Cochran .....	614
Derry Station .....	" 30.....	La Monte .....	568
Donora .....	" 43.....	Donora .....	626
Downingtown .....	" 5.....	Williamson .....	309
Doylestown .....	" 8.....	Doylestown .....	245
Driftwood .....	" 33.....	Driftwood .....	532
Dubois .....	" 21.....	Garfield .....	559
Duke Centre .....	" 22.....	Northern Star .....	555
Dunmore .....	" 13.....	King Solomon .....	584
East Greenville .....	" 40.....	Perkiomen .....	595
Easton .....	" 9.....	Easton .....	152
" .....	" 9.....	Dallas .....	396
East Smithfield .....	" 16.....	Smithfield .....	428
East Stroudsburg .....	" 9.....	J. Simpson Africa .....	628
Ebensburg .....	" 41.....	Summit .....	312
Edenburg, Knox P. O. ....	" 27.....	Edenburg .....	550
Edinboro' .....	" 24.....	Oasis .....	416
Eldred .....	" 22.....	Eldred .....	560
Elizabeth .....	" 43.....	Stephen Bayard .....	526
Ellwood City .....	" 26.....	Ellwood .....	599
Elysburg .....	" 2.....	Elysburg .....	414
Emlenton .....	" 27.....	Allegheny Valley .....	552
Emporium .....	" 33.....	Emporium .....	382
Enon Valley .....	" 37.....	Meridian .....	411
Erie .....	" 24.....	Tyrian .....	362
" .....	" 24.....	Perry .....	392
" .....	" 24.....	Keystone .....	455
Everett .....	" 34.....	Everett .....	524
Factoryville .....	" 13.....	Factoryville .....	341
Falls of Schuylkill, Phila- delphia .....	Grand Master.....	Palestine .....	470
Fayette City .....	No. 31.....	Gummert .....	252
Forest City .....	" 15.....	Forest City .....	439
Fort Washington .....	" 8.....	Fort Washington .....	308
Frankford, Philadelphia, Grand Master.....		Frankford .....	292
Frankford, Philadelphia, Grand Master.....		Jerusalem .....	506

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Franklin .....	No. 23.....	Myrtle .....	316
Freeland .....	" 12.....	Arbutus .....	611
Freeport .....	" 27.....	Armstrong .....	239
Galeton .....	" 44.....	Galeton .....	602
Germantown, Philadelphia, Grand Master.....		Mitchell .....	296
Germantown, Philadelphia, Grand Master.....		Henry W. Williams ....	624
Gettysburg .....	No. 4.....	Good Samaritan .....	336
Girard .....	" 24.....	Lake Erie .....	347
Great Bend .....	" 15.....	Great Bend .....	338
Greencastle .....	" 3.....	Mount Pisgah .....	443
Greensburg .....	" 30.....	Philanthropy .....	225
" .....	" 30.....	Westmoreland .....	518
Green Tree Station .....	" 5.....	Thomson .....	340
Greenville .....	" 26.....	Eureka .....	290
Grove City .....	" 26.....	Grove City .....	603
Hamburg .....	" 7.....	Vaux .....	406
Hamlinton .....	" 14.....	Salem .....	330
Hanover .....	" 4.....	Patmos .....	348
Harrisburg .....	" 2.....	Perseverance .....	21
" .....	" 2.....	Robert Burns .....	464
" .....	" 2.....	Harrisburg .....	629
Harrison Valley .....	" 44.....	Adelpha .....	592
Hatboro' .....	" 8.....	W. K. Bray .....	410
Hawley .....	" 14.....	Hawley .....	305
Hazleton .....	" 10.....	Hazle .....	327
Hellertown .....	" 9.....	Hellertown .....	563
Hollidaysburg .....	" 20.....	Portage .....	220
" .....	" 20.....	Juniata .....	282
Homestead .....	" 38.....	Homestead .....	582
Honesdale .....	" 14.....	Honesdale .....	218
Honeybrook .....	" 5.....	Howell .....	405
Hop Bottom .....	" 15.....	Harford .....	445
Huntingdon .....	" 34.....	Mount Moriah .....	300
Hyndman .....	" 34.....	Hyndman .....	589
Indiana .....	" 39.....	Indiana .....	313
Irwin .....	" 30.....	Shidle .....	601
Jackson .....	" 15.....	Freedom .....	328
Jamestown .....	" 26.....	Adelphic .....	424
Jenkintown .....	" 8.....	Friendship .....	400



PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Jermyn .....	No. 13.....	Aurora .....	523
Jersey Shore.....	" 18.....	La Belle Vallée .....	232
Johnstown .....	" 41.....	Cambria .....	278
" .....	" 41.....	Johnstown .....	538
Kane .....	" 33.....	Kane .....	566
Kennett Square.....	" 36.....	Kennett .....	475
Kensington, Philadelphia, Grand Master.....		Kensington .....	211
Kensington, Philadelphia, Grand Master.....		Richmond .....	230
Kensington, Philadelphia, Grand Master.....		Gothic .....	519
Kingston .....	No. 12.....	Kingston .....	395
Kittanning .....	" 27.....	Kittanning .....	244
Knoxville .....	" 27.....	Cowanesque .....	351
Kutztown .....	" 7.....	Huguenot .....	377
Laceyville .....	" 16.....	Franklin .....	263
Lancaster .....	" 1.....	.....	43
" .....	" 1.....	Lamberton .....	476
Lansdale .....	" 6.....	Shiloh .....	558
Latrobe .....	" 30.....	Loyalhanna .....	275
Lebanon .....	" 2.....	Mount Lebanon .....	226
Leechburg .....	" 27.....	Leechburg .....	577
Leighton .....	" 10.....	Leighton .....	621
Le Raysville .....	" 16.....	Le Ray .....	471
Lewisburg .....	" 18.....	Charity .....	144
Lewistown .....	" 19.....	Lewistown .....	203
Ligonier .....	" 30.....	Ligonier .....	331
Linesville .....	" 25.....	Pine .....	498
Lock Haven .....	" 33.....	La Fayette .....	199
McDonald .....	" 29.....	Garfield .....	604
McKeesport .....	" 38.....	Alliquippa .....	375
" .....	" 38.....	Youghiogeny .....	583
McVeytown .....	" 19.....	McVeytown .....	376
Mahanoy City .....	" 11.....	Mahanoy City .....	357
Manayunk, Philadelphia, Grand Master.....		Roxborough .....	135
Manheim .....	No. 1.....	Manheim .....	587
Mansfield .....	" 17.....	Friendship .....	247
Marienville .....	" 23.....	Acacia .....	633
Marietta .....	" 42.....	Ashara .....	398
Marysville .....	" 19.....	Perry .....	458
Masontown .....	" 31.....	Valley .....	459

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Mauch Chunk .....	No. 10.....	Carbon .....	242
Meadville .....	" 25.....	Crawford .....	234
" .....	" 25.....	.....	408
Mechanicsburg .....	" 3.....	Eureka .....	302
Media .....	" 36.....	George W. Bartram ....	298
Mercer .....	" 26.....	Hebron .....	575
Meyersdale .....	" 41.....	Meyersdale .....	554
Middleburg .....	" 35.....	Middleburg .....	619
Middletown .....	" 2.....	Prince Edwin .....	486
Mifflinburg .....	" 18.....	Mifflinburg .....	370
Mifflintown .....	" 19.....	Union .....	324
Milford .....	" 14.....	Milford .....	344
Millersburg .....	" 2.....	Susquehanna .....	364
Millersville .....	" 1.....	Charles M. Howell ....	496
Millvale Boro' .....	" 32.....	Corinthian .....	573
Milton .....	" 35.....	Milton .....	256
Minersville .....	" 11.....	Minersville .....	222
Monongahela .....	" 43.....	Henry M. Phillips .....	337
Monroeton .....	" 16.....	Evergreen .....	163
Montoursville .....	" 18.....	Eureka .....	335
Montrose .....	" 15.....	Warren .....	240
Moores .....	" 36.....	Prospect .....	578
Moscow .....	" 13.....	Moscow .....	504
Mount Carmel .....	" 2.....	Mount Carmel .....	378
Mount Jewett .....	" 22.....	Mount Jewett .....	627
Mount Joy .....	" 1.....	Casiphia .....	551
Muncy .....	" 18.....	Muncy .....	299
Nanticoke .....	" 12.....	Nanticoke .....	541
Nazareth .....	" 9.....	Whitfield .....	622
New Bethlehem .....	" 27.....	New Bethlehem .....	522
New Bloomfield .....	" 19.....	Adams .....	319
New Brighton .....	" 37.....	Union .....	259
New Castle .....	" 26.....	Mahoning .....	243
" " .....	" 26.....	Lodge of the Craft ....	433
New Milford .....	" 15.....	New Milford .....	507
New Oxford .....	" 4.....	Hebron .....	465
Newport .....	" 19.....	Newport .....	381
Newtown .....	" 8.....	Newtown .....	427
Newville .....	" 3.....	Big Spring .....	361
Nicholson .....	" 15.....	Nicholson .....	438
Norristown .....	" 6.....	Charity .....	190
" .....	" 6.....	Norristown .....	620
North East .....	" 24.....	North East .....	399
Northumberland .....	" 35.....	Eureka .....	404

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Oil City .....	No. 23.....	Petrolia .....	363
Olyphant .....	" 13.....	Kingsbury .....	466
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Frankford .....	292.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
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Galeton .....	602.....	Galeton .....	" 44
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Garfield .....	604.....	McDonald .....	" 29
Germania .....	509.....	Pittsburgh .....	" 28
Girard, Stephen .....	450.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Glasgow .....	485.....	Smith's Ferry .....	No. 37
Goddard .....	383.....	Coatesville .....	" 5
Good Samaritan .....	336.....	Gettysburg .....	" 4
Gothic .....	519.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Great Bend .....	338.....	Great Bend .....	No. 15
Greenleaf .....	561.....	Allentown .....	" 10
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Hamilton, William C. ..	500.....	Philadelphia .....	" "
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Humboldt .....	359.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
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Hyndman .....	589.....	Hyndman .....	" 34
Indiana .....	313.....	Indiana .....	" 39
Industry .....	131.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Integrity .....	187.....	Philadelphia .....	" "
Ionic .....	525.....	Allegheny .....	No. 32
Ivanhoe .....	449.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
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Jefferson .....	288.....	Allegheny .....	" 32
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Knapp .....	462.....	Berwick .....	" 12
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Lamberton, Robert A. ..	487.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
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Laurel .....	467.....	White Haven .....	" 12
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Lehighton .....	621.....	Lehighton .....	" 10
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Ligonier .....	331.....	Ligonier .....	" 30
Lodge of the Craft .....	433.....	New Castle .....	" 26
Logan .....	490.....	Altoona .....	" 20
Loyalhanna .....	275.....	Latrobe .....	" 30
MacCalla .....	596.....	Sellersville .....	" 8
McCandless .....	390.....	Pittsburgh .....	" 28
McKean .....	388.....	Smethport .....	" 22
McKinley .....	318.....	Allegheny .....	" 32
McVeytown .....	376.....	McVeytown .....	" 19
Maclay .....	632.....	Sunbury .....	" 2
Mahanoy City .....	357.....	Mahanoy City .....	" 11
Mahoning .....	243.....	New Castle .....	" 26
Mahoning .....	516.....	Danville .....	" 35
Manheim .....	587.....	Manheim .....	" 1
Manoquesy .....	413.....	Bath .....	" 9
Marion .....	562.....	Scottdale .....	" 30
Melita .....	295.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Meridian .....	411.....	Enon Valley .....	No. 37
Meridian Sun .....	158.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Meyersdale .....	554.....	Meyersdale .....	No. 41
Middleburg .....	619.....	Middleburg .....	" 35
Mifflinburg .....	370.....	Mifflinburg .....	" 18
Milford .....	344.....	Milford .....	" 14
Milnor .....	287.....	Pittsburgh .....	" 28
Milton .....	256.....	Milton .....	" 35
Minersville .....	222.....	Minersville .....	" 11
Mitchell .....	296.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Mitchell, E. Coppée ....	605.....	Philadelphia .....	" "
Monongahela .....	269.....	Pittsburgh .....	No. 28
Monongahela Valley ....	461.....	Coal Centre.....	" 43
Montgomery .....	19.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master

NAME.	NO.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.
Moscow .....	504.....	Moscow .....	No. 13
Moshannon .....	391.....	Philipsburg .....	" 21
Mountain .....	281.....	Altoona .....	" 20
Mount Carmel .....	378.....	Mount Carmel .....	" 2
Mount Hermon .....	472.....	Uniondale .....	" 15
Mount Horeb .....	528.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Mount Jewett .....	627.....	Mount Jewett .....	No. 22
Mount Lebanon .....	226.....	Lebanon .....	" 2
Mount Moriah .....	155.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Mount Moriah .....	300.....	Huntingdon .....	No. 34
Mount Pickering .....	446.....	Upper Uwchlan .....	" 40
Mount Pisgah .....	443.....	Green Castle .....	" 3
Mozart .....	436.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Muncy .....	299.....	Muncy .....	No. 18
Myrtle .....	316.....	Franklin .....	" 23
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Nanticoke .....	541.....	Nanticoke .....	" 12
New Bethlehem .....	522.....	New Bethlehem .....	" 27
New London .....	545.....	West Grove .....	" 36
New Milford .....	507.....	New Milford .....	" 15
Newport .....	381.....	Newport .....	" 19
Newtown .....	427.....	Newtown .....	" 8
Nicholson .....	438.....	Nicholson .....	" 15
Noble .....	480.....	Curwensville .....	" 21
Norristown .....	620.....	Norristown .....	" 6
North East .....	399.....	North East .....	" 24
North Star .....	241.....	Warren .....	" 23
Northern Star .....	555.....	Duke Centre .....	" 22
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Oakland .....	535.....	Pittsburgh .....	" 28
Oasis .....	416.....	Edinboro .....	" 24
Oil Creek .....	303.....	Titusville .....	" 25
Old Fort .....	537.....	Centre Hall .....	" 21
Olive .....	557.....	Tionesta .....	" 23
Olivet .....	607.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Orient .....	289.....	Philadelphia .....	" "
Orient .....	590.....	Wilkinsburg .....	No. 38
Oriental .....	385.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Oriental .....	460.....	Orangeville .....	No. 35
Oriental Star .....	588.....	Peckville .....	" 13
Orrstown .....	262.....	Orrstown .....	" 3
Osceola .....	421.....	Osceola .....	" 17
Osceola .....	515.....	Osceola Mills .....	" 21
Ossea .....	317.....	Wellsboro .....	" 17
Oxford .....	353 .....	Oxford .....	" 36

NAME.	No.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.
Page .....	270 .....	Schuylkill Haven .....	No. 11
Palestine .....	470 .....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Parker City .....	521 .....	Parker's Landing .....	No. 27
Patmos .....	348 .....	Hanover .....	" 4
Pen Argyl .....	594 .....	Pen Argyl .....	" 9
Pennsylvania .....	380 .....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Perkins .....	402 .....	Philadelphia .....	" "
Perkiomen .....	595 .....	East Greenville .....	No. 40
Perry .....	392 .....	Erie .....	" 24
Perry .....	458 .....	Marysville .....	" 19
Perseverance .....	21 .....	Harrisburg .....	" 2
Petrolia .....	363 .....	Oil City .....	" 23
Philadelphia .....	72 .....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Philanthropy .....	225 .....	Greensburg .....	No. 30
Philates .....	527 .....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Phillips, Henry M. ....	337 .....	Monongahela .....	No. 43
Philo .....	444 .....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Phoenix .....	75 .....	Phoenixville .....	No. 40
Phoenix .....	130 .....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Pine .....	498 .....	Linesville .....	No. 25
Pine Grove .....	409 .....	Pine Grove .....	" 11
Pittsburgh .....	484 .....	Pittsburgh .....	" 28
Plymouth .....	332 .....	Plymouth .....	" 12
Pollock .....	502 .....	Tarentum .....	" 32
Portage .....	220 .....	Hollidaysburg .....	" 20
Porter .....	284 .....	Catasauqua .....	" 10
Portland .....	311 .....	Portland .....	" 9
Potter .....	441 .....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Prince Edwin .....	486 .....	Middletown .....	No. 2
Progress .....	609 .....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Prospect .....	578 .....	Moores .....	No. 36
Prosperity .....	567 .....	Riegelsville .....	" 8
Pulaski .....	216 .....	Pottsville .....	" 11
Quakertown .....	512 .....	Quakertown .....	" 8
Radiant Star .....	606 .....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Read, John M. ....	536 .....	Reynoldsville .....	No. 27
Reading .....	549 .....	Reading .....	" 7
Renovo .....	495 .....	Renovo .....	" 33
Richmond .....	230 .....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Rising Star .....	126 .....	Philadelphia .....	" "
Riverside .....	503 .....	Wrightsville .....	No. 42
Rochester .....	229 .....	Rochester .....	" 37
Roman .....	418 .....	Rome .....	" 16



NAME.	No.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.
Roxborough .....	135.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Royersford .....	585.....	Royersford .....	No. 40
Rural Amity .....	70.....	Athens .....	" 16
St. Alban .....	529.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
St. James .....	457.....	Beaver .....	No. 37
St. John's .....	115.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
St. John's .....	219.....	Pittsburgh .....	No. 28
St. John's .....	233.....	Pittston .....	" 12
St. John's .....	260.....	Carlisle .....	" 3
St. John's .....	435.....	Reading .....	" 7
St. Paul's .....	481.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Salem .....	330.....	Hamilton .....	No. 14
Saucon .....	469.....	Coopersburg .....	" 10
Schiller .....	345.....	Scranton .....	" 13
Schnider, William B. ...	419.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Schuylkill .....	138.....	Orwigsburg .....	No. 11
Scott, Lucius H. ....	352.....	Chester .....	" 36
Shamokin .....	255.....	Shamokin .....	" 2
Sharon .....	250.....	Sharon .....	" 26
Sharon .....	598.....	Shingle House.....	" 44
Sharpsville .....	517.....	Sharpsville .....	" 26
Shekinah .....	246.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Shenandoah .....	511.....	Shenandoah .....	No. 11
Shepherd .....	463.....	Titusville .....	" 25
Shidle .....	601.....	Irwin .....	" 30
Shiloh .....	558.....	Lansdale .....	" 6
Shrewsbury .....	423.....	Shrewsbury .....	" 4
Skerrett .....	343.....	Cochranville .....	" 5
Slatington .....	440.....	Slatington .....	" 10
Smithfield .....	428.....	East Smithfield .....	" 16
Solomon .....	231.....	Pittsburgh .....	" 28
Solomon's .....	114.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Somerset .....	358.....	Somerset .....	No. 41
Spartan .....	372.....	Spartansburg .....	" 25
Spring City .....	553.....	Spring City .....	" 40
Stichter .....	254.....	Pottstown .....	" 40
Stillwater .....	547.....	Sugar Grove .....	" 23
Stuckrath .....	430.....	Allegheny .....	" 32
Summit .....	312.....	Ebensburg .....	" 41
Sunset .....	623.....	Washington .....	" 29
Susquehanna .....	364.....	Millersburg .....	" 2
Swatara .....	267.....	Tremont .....	" 11
Sylvania .....	354.....	Shickshinny .....	" 12

NAME.	NO.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.
Tacony .....	600.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Tamaqua .....	238.....	Tamaqua .....	No. 11
Temple .....	248.....	Tunkhannock .....	" 16
Temple .....	412.....	Tidioute .....	" 23
Teutonia .....	367.....	Reading .....	" 7
Thomson .....	340.....	Green Tree Station .....	" 5
Tioga .....	373.....	Tioga .....	" 17
Trojan .....	306.....	Troy .....	" 16
Tyrian .....	362.....	Erie .....	" 24
Tyrian .....	612.....	Wilmerding .....	" 38
Tyrone .....	494.....	Tyrone .....	" 20
Union .....	108.....	Towanda .....	" 16
Union .....	121.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Union .....	259.....	New Brighton .....	No. 37
Union .....	291.....	Scranton .....	" 13
Union .....	324.....	Mifflintown .....	" 19
Union .....	334.....	Bradford .....	" 22
Union .....	479.....	Birdsboro .....	" 7
University .....	610.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Valley .....	459.....	Masontown .....	No. 31
Valley .....	499.....	Pittston .....	" 12
Valley .....	613.....	Turtle Creek .....	" 38
Vaux .....	393.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Vaux .....	406.....	Hamburg .....	No. 7
Vaux, Richard .....	384.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Vaux, Richard .....	454.....	Burgettstown .....	No. 29
Verona .....	548.....	Verona .....	" 38
Warren .....	240.....	Montrose .....	" 15
Warren .....	310.....	Trappe .....	" 6
Washington .....	59.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Washington .....	156.....	Quarryville .....	No. 1
Washington .....	164.....	Washington .....	" 29
Washington .....	253.....	Pittsburgh .....	" 28
Washington .....	265.....	Bloomsburg .....	" 35
Washington, George ....	143.....	Chambersburg .....	" 3
Waterford .....	425.....	Waterford .....	" 24
Watsontown .....	401.....	Watsontown .....	" 18
Wattsburg .....	533.....	Wattsburg .....	" 24
Waverly .....	301.....	Clark's Summit .....	" 13
Waymart .....	542.....	Waymart .....	" 14
Wayne .....	581.....	Wayne .....	" 6
Waynesburg .....	153.....	Waynesburg .....	" 29

NAME.	No.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.
Welcome .....	453.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
West Chester .....	322.....	West Chester .....	No. 5
Western Crawford .....	258.....	Conneautville .....	" 25
Western Star .....	304.....	Albion .....	" 24
Westfield .....	477.....	Westfield .....	" 17
Westmoreland .....	518.....	Greensburg .....	" 30
Whitfield .....	622.....	Nazareth .....	" 9
Wilcox .....	571.....	Wilcox .....	" 33
Williams, Henry W. ...	624.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Williamson .....	307.....	Womelsdorf .....	No. 7
Williamson .....	309.....	Downingtown .....	" 5
Williamson .....	369.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
Williamson .....	431.....	Saltsburg .....	No. 39
Williamson, Peter .....	323.....	Scranton .....	" 13
Woodbury .....	539.....	Roaring Spring .....	" 20
Wyalusing .....	618.....	Wyalusing .....	" 16
Wyoming .....	468.....	Wyoming .....	" 12
York .....	266.....	York .....	" 42
Youghiogheny .....	583.....	McKeesport .....	" 38
Zeredatha .....	448.....	Sharpsburg .....	" 32
Zeredatha .....	451.....	York .....	" 42

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	No.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.
.....	2.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
.....	3.....	Philadelphia .....	" "
.....	9.....	Philadelphia .....	" "
.....	22.....	Sunbury .....	No. 2
.....	43.....	Lancaster .....	" 1
.....	45.....	Pittsburgh .....	" 28
.....	51.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master
.....	61.....	Wilkes-Barre .....	No. 12
.....	62.....	Reading .....	" 7
.....	106.....	Williamsport .....	" 18
.....	408.....	Meadville .....	" 25
.....	432.....	Philadelphia .....	Grand Master



## ABSTRACT OF RETURNS OF LODGES FOR 1904.

A = Under Grand Master's Supervision.

Mon. F. M. = Monday on or before Full Moon.

F. M. Mon. = Monday on or after Full Moon.

Mon. a. F. M. = Monday after Full Moon.

Mon. b. F. M. = Monday before Full Moon.

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2	.....	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Mon.....	160	3	18	3		6	172
3	.....	" .....	A	3d Tues.....	223	2	23	4		6	238
9	.....	" .....	A	1st Fri.....	359		36	4	5	8	378
19	Montgomery .....	" .....	A	1st Thur. ....	252		11			4	259
21	Perseverance .....	Harrisburg.....	2	2d Mon.....	331	4	20		4	3	348
22	.....	Sunbury .....	2	* .....	110	4	21		1	4	130
25	Bristol.....	Bristol.....	8	Sat. F. M. ...	151	1	9	2		3	156
43	.....	Lancaster.....	1	2d Wed.....	280	2	20		4	7	291
45	.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	Last Wed....	380	4	33	2	1	6	408
51	.....	Philadelphia ....	A	4th Thur. ....	162	1	4			5	162
52	Harmony .....	" .....	A	1st Mon.....	192	4	16	1	2	5	204
59	Washington.....	" .....	A	2d Tues.....	565	4	38	1	2	15	589
60	Brownsville.....	Brownsville.....	31	1st Mon.....	96	5	10	1		4	106
61	.....	Wilkes-Barre....	12	1st Mon.....	266	5	26	1	2	5	289
62	.....	Reading .....	7	1st Mon.....	259	2	21		1	5	276
67	Concordia.....	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Thur.....	238	9	24	2	1	6	262
70	Rural Amity.....	Athens .....	16	† .....	183	2	8	1	2	1	189
71	La Fayette.....	Philadelphia ....	A	4th Wed.....	178	3	13	2		11	181
72	Philadelphia .....	" .....	A	3d Thur.....	240	2	18	3	1	10	246
75	Phoenix.....	Phoenixville....	40	Sat. F. M. ...	206	2	18		1	5	220
81	Hiram.....	Philadelphia ....	A	2d Wed.....	101		20	4		4	113
91	Columbia .....	" .....	A	4th Mon.....	183	3	5			5	186
106	.....	Williamsport....	18	1st Mon.....	243	2	34		1	5	273
108	Union .....	Towanda.....	16	3d Wed.....	186	1	13		2	1	197
114	Solomon's.....	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Fri.....	170		17			4	183
115	St. John's.....	" .....	A	2d Mon.....	268	1	36	2	2	6	295
121	Union .....	" .....	A	2d Thur.....	162		8			1	169
125	Hermann .....	" .....	A	2d Wed.....	272	2	17			4	287
126	Rising Star.....	" .....	A	2d Mon.....	200		16		2	8	206
130	Phoenix.....	" .....	A	3d Wed.....	266	5	14		1	10	274
131	Industry .....	" .....	A	2d Mon.....	128	1	11	2	1	1	136
134	Franklin.....	" .....	A	‡ .....	147		11	3		8	147
135	Roxborough.....	" .....	A	2d Tues.....	241	2	20		1	3	259
138	Schuylkill.....	Orwigsburg .....	11	Last Mon....	70		2	5		2	65
143	George Washington	Chambersburg...	3	Fri. F. M....	146	1	7	1		3	150
144	Charity .....	Lewisburg .....	18	Tues. F. M...	105	2	2	3	2	1	103
152	Easton .....	Easton .....	9	1st Thur. ....	200	2	16		2	2	214
153	Waynesburg .....	Waynesburg ....	29	2d Mon.....	151	1	19		1	2	168

\* No. 22 meets evening of Full Moon, except when Moon is full on Sunday ; then Monday.

† No. 70 meets Tuesday on or before Full Moon and St. John the Evangelist's Day, Dec. 27.

‡ No. 134 meets last week day of every month.

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155	Mount Moriah.....	Philadelphia.....	A	4th Tues.....	379	4	38	5	1	10	405
156	Washington.....	Quarryville.....	1	Fri. F. M. ..	67		9	3		2	71
158	Meridian Sun.....	Philadelphia.....	A	1st Tues.....	473	10	61			12	532
163	Evergreen.....	Monroeton.....	16	Tues. F. M...	120		19	2	2		135
164	Washington.....	Washington.....	29	1st Mon.....	137	4	14		1	1	153
186	Eastern Star.....	Philadelphia.....	A	2d Wed.....	201	1	15	1		10	206
187	Integrity.....	".....	A	2d Thur.....	211		16	2		7	218
190	Charity.....	Norristown.....	6	1st Mon.....	337	1	15		1	2	350
194	La Fayette.....	Selin's Grove....	35	* .....	91	8	7		1	2	103
197	Cumberland Star...	Carlisle.....	3	2d Tues.....	113		8		1	1	119
199	La Fayette.....	Lock Haven.....	33	2d Thur.....	144	3	9		2	3	151
203	Lewistown.....	Lewistown.....	19	† .....	135	1	12	1		4	143
211	Kensington.....	Philadelphia.....	A	1st Fri.....	468	1	42	1		11	499
216	Pulaski.....	Pottsville.....	11	3d Mon.....	200		11	2	1	3	205
218	Honesdale.....	Honesdale.....	14	Thur. F. M...	106		8			1	113
219	St. John's.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	2d Thur.....	470	1	35	4	1	8	493
220	Portage.....	Hollidaysburg...	20	1st Tues.....	67		3			2	68
221	Franklin.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	3d Wed.....	471	1	38		3	13	494
222	Minersville.....	Minersville.....	11	2d Thur.....	74		4	5	1	2	70
223	Allegheny.....	Allegheny.....	32	2d Mon.....	329		29	1	11	2	344
224	Danville.....	Danville.....	35	3d Tues.....	115		4	2	1	3	113
225	Philanthropy.....	Greensburg.....	30	2d Mon.....	142		7	1		2	146
226	Mount Lebanon...	Lebanon.....	2	‡ .....	177	1	12		1	2	187
227	Chandler.....	Reading.....	7	1st Tues.....	350	3	17	6		7	357
228	Fayette.....	Uniontown.....	31	2d Mon.....	228	1	16	1	3	3	238
229	Rochester.....	Rochester.....	37	Fri. F. M...	166	4	8	4	1	2	171
230	Richmond.....	Philadelphia.....	A	2d Wed.....	276	1	19		1	3	292
231	Solomon.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	1st Thur.....	156		22	4		12	162
232	La Belle Vallée...	Jersey Shore....	18	Fri. b. F. M..	102		5			2	105
233	St. John's.....	Pittston.....	12	§ .....	163		9	2		4	166
234	Crawford.....	Meadville.....	25	1st Thur.....	123	1	9	2		4	127
236	Chester.....	Chester.....	36	1st Thur.....	319	2	29	2	1	7	340
237	Beallsville.....	Beallsville.....	43	Wed. F. M...	61		10		1	1	69
238	Tamaqua.....	Tamaqua.....	11	Fri. F. M...	185	1	7		1	6	186
239	Armstrong.....	Freeport.....	27	3d Mon.....	49	1	9		2	2	55
240	Warren.....	Montrose.....	15	Wed. F. M...	81		5			3	83
241	North Star.....	Warren.....	23	3d Thur.....	196	1	10	10	3	2	192
242	Carbon.....	Mauch Chunk...	10	2d Wed.....	124		5			3	126
243	Mahoning.....	New Castle.....	26	4th Tues.....	190	9	16		4	4	207
244	Kittanning.....	Kittanning.....	27	1st Tues.....	136	2	17	3	1	5	146
245	Doylestown.....	Doylestown.....	8	Fri. F. M...	175	1	13		1	2	186
246	Shekinah.....	Philadelphia.....	A	3d Mon.....	450	7	48	1	2	12	490
247	Friendship.....	Mansfield.....	17	Mon. F. M...	70	2	8	1	4		75
248	Temple.....	Tunkhannock...	16	Mon. F. M...	173		6		1	4	174
249	Carbondale.....	Carbondale.....	13	1st Wed.....	144		8			1	151
250	Sharon.....	Sharon.....	26	1st Fri.....	156	3	21		1	1	178
252	Gummert.....	Fayette City....	31	Mon. F. M...	125		13	2		2	134
253	Washington.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	Last Tues....	347		42	3	1	6	379
254	Stichter.....	Pottstown.....	40	2d Wed.....	216	3	5		2	2	220
255	Shamokin.....	Shamokin.....	2	1st Fri.....	169	1	12	4	1	4	173
256	Milton.....	Milton.....	35	1st Mon.....	130	1	11	3	1	2	136

\* No. 194 meets two nights before Full Moon except when Moon is full on Tuesday; then one night before.

No. 203 meets second Tuesday and St. John the Evangelist's Day, Dec. 27.

No. 226 meets third Thursday and St. Johns' Days, June 24 and Dec. 27.

No. 233 meets Tuesday on or before Full Moon and St. Johns' Days, June 24 and Dec. 27.



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258	Western Crawford.	Conneautville . . .	25	1st & 3d Mon.	57		6		1	1	61
259	Union . . . . .	New Brighton . . .	37	1st Tues. . . . .	128		9			3	134
260	St. John's . . . . .	Carlisle . . . . .	3	3d Thur. . . . .	136	1	8			3	142
261	Hiram . . . . .	Scranton . . . . .	13	2d Thur. . . . .	92		12		2	2	100
262	Orrstown . . . . .	Orrstown . . . . .	3	Thur. F. M. . . .	41		3		1	1	42
263	Franklin . . . . .	Laceyville . . . . .	16	Tues. F. M. . . .	65		6			2	69
264	Columbus . . . . .	Columbus . . . . .	23	Thur. F. M. . . .	41		1			1	41
265	Washington . . . . .	Bloomsburg . . . . .	35	3d Mon. . . . .	137	1	15		2	2	149
266	York . . . . .	York . . . . .	42	* . . . . .	163	2	16		2	1	178
267	Swatara . . . . .	Tremont . . . . .	11	2d Thur. . . . .	110		5			4	111
268	Bellefonte . . . . .	Bellefonte . . . . .	21	Tues. F. M. . . .	153	1	15		1	2	166
269	Monongahela . . . . .	Pittsburgh . . . . .	28	1st Fri. . . . .	333	1	34		1	5	362
270	Page . . . . .	Schuylkill Haven	11	Fri. F. M. . . . .	77		10			1	86
271	Keystone . . . . .	Philadelphia . . . .	A	1st Mon. . . . .	184	3	16	1	1	9	192
272	Butler . . . . .	Butler . . . . .	27	1st Thur. . . . .	175	2	17	2	1	6	185
273	Cassia . . . . .	Ardmore . . . . .	6	Thur. F. M. . . .	207	1	39		1	4	242
274	Hamilton . . . . .	Philadelphia . . . .	A	4th Tues. . . . .	260	1	33		1	5	288
275	Loyalhanna . . . . .	Latrobe . . . . .	30	1st Mon. . . . .	98	2	5			2	103
276	Hobah . . . . .	Brookville . . . . .	27	2d Mon. . . . .	132		5		1		136
277	Clarion . . . . .	Clarion . . . . .	27	1st Mon. . . . .	140		16		1	6	149
278	Cambria . . . . .	Johnstown . . . . .	41	2d Tues. . . . .	224	1	18	4	1	2	236
281	Mountain . . . . .	Altoona . . . . .	20	3d Tues. . . . .	201	1	19			5	216
282	Juniata . . . . .	Hollidaysburg . . .	20	2d Mon. . . . .	105		7		1	3	108
283	Bethlehem . . . . .	Bethlehem . . . . .	9	1st Tues. . . . .	169	1	12	2			180
284	Porter . . . . .	Catasauqua . . . . .	10	1st Fri. . . . .	133	1	9		1	1	141
285	Anthracite . . . . .	St. Clair . . . . .	11	3d Wed. . . . .	94		4			4	94
286	Columbia . . . . .	Columbia . . . . .	42	1st Thur. . . . .	157	1	12			6	164
287	Milnor . . . . .	Pittsburgh . . . . .	28	3d Tues. . . . .	452	2	46		1	5	494
288	Jefferson . . . . .	Allegheny . . . . .	32	1st Wed. . . . .	117		6			4	119
289	Orient . . . . .	Philadelphia . . . .	A	4th Fri. . . . .	207	2	22	5	3	3	220
290	Eureka . . . . .	Greenville . . . . .	26	1st Mon. . . . .	159	2	14	3	5	7	160
291	Union . . . . .	Scranton . . . . .	13	2d Fri. . . . .	274	5	36	2		5	308
292	Frankford . . . . .	Philadelphia . . . .	A	2d Tues. . . . .	290	6	21		5	7	305
294	Ashland . . . . .	Ashland . . . . .	11	2d Thur. . . . .	150		9		1	3	155
295	Melita . . . . .	Philadelphia . . . .	A	4th Wed. . . . .	343	5	56			8	396
296	Mitchell . . . . .	" . . . . .	A	2d Thur. . . . .	256	3	20	4		7	268
297	Chartiers . . . . .	Canonsburg . . . . .	29	2d Mon. . . . .	78		10	3			85
298	Geo. W. Bartram . . .	Media . . . . .	36	2d Mon. . . . .	137	2	9	1		1	146
299	Muncy . . . . .	Muncy . . . . .	18	1st Thur. . . . .	102	1	8	4			107
300	Mount Moriah . . . .	Huntingdon . . . . .	34	2d Mon. . . . .	146		8			6	148
301	Waverly . . . . .	Clark's Summit . .	13	Tues. F. M. . . .	90	2	3		1		94
302	Eureka . . . . .	Mechanicsburg . . .	3	1st Mon. . . . .	127	3	7	4	3	6	124
303	Oil Creek . . . . .	Titusville . . . . .	25	2d & 4th Tues. . .	137	3	2	3	3	4	132
304	Western Star . . . . .	Albion . . . . .	24	1st & 3d Tues. . .	76		6		1	4	77
305	Hawley . . . . .	Hawley . . . . .	14	Tues. F. M. . . .	64	1	5	1		1	68
306	Trojan . . . . .	Troy . . . . .	16	Tues. F. M. . . .	84		9		1	2	90
307	Williamson . . . . .	Womelsdorf . . . . .	7	1st Thur. . . . .	122		3	1	1	1	122
308	Fort Washington . . .	Fort Washington . .	8	Sat. F. M. . . . .	78		12		1	1	88
309	Williamson . . . . .	Downingtown . . .	5	Fri. F. M. . . . .	74		6			1	79
310	Warren . . . . .	Trappe . . . . .	6	Sat. F. M. . . . .	91	1	4	1		3	92
311	Portland . . . . .	Portland . . . . .	9	Thur. F. M. . . .	57	1	1		3		56

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312	Summit.....	Ebensburg .....	41	2d Tues.....	154		16	2	3	2	163
313	Indiana.....	Indiana.....	39	2d Tues.....	107	1	12		1		119
314	Clearfield .....	Clearfield .....	21	1st Mon.....	137		8	4		1	140
315	Cumberland Valley	Shippensburg....	3	2d Fri.....	57		6			1	62
316	Myrtle .....	Franklin.....	23	1st & 3d Mon.	168	2	13			1	182
317	Ossea .....	Wellsboro.....	17	1st Tues.....	134		11		3	2	140
318	McKinley.....	Allegheny .....	32	1st Tues.....	325	1	29	1	2	5	347
319	Adams .....	New Bloomfield .	19	Wed. F. M...	51				1	1	49
320	Bedford.....	Bedford.....	34	2d Thur .....	102		8			2	108
321	Hailman.....	Pittsburgh .....	28	3d Tues.....	263	3	44	1	1	4	304
322	West Chester.....	West Chester....	5	1st Mon.....	160	2	11	1		2	170
323	Peter Williamson..	Scranton.....	13	1st Tues.....	268	3	29	7	3	7	283
324	Union .....	Mifflintown .....	19	2d Thur.....	97	1	8	2			104
325	Barger.....	Stroudsburg.....	9	1st Tues.....	170	1	9		9	1	170
326	Lehigh .....	Trexlerstown.....	10	Tues. F. M...	72		8	2			78
327	Hazle.....	Hazleton.....	10	1st Mon.....	203		18	1		2	218
328	Freedom.....	Jackson.....	15	Wed. F. M...	53			1		1	51
330	Salem.....	Hamilton .....	14	Mon. F. M...	68		5		1	1	71
331	Ligonier.....	Ligonier .....	30	Fri. b. F. M...	69	1	11	2		1	78
332	Plymouth. ....	Plymouth.....	12	Tues. F. M...	87		6		1	2	90
333	Barger.....	Allentown .....	10	3d Fri.....	161	1	20	2	1	2	177
334	Union .....	Bradford.....	22	2d Thur.....	346	14	18	4	4	7	363
335	Eureka .....	Montoursville ...	18	Fri. b. F. M...	76		5			3	78
336	Good Samaritan ...	Gettysburg.....	4	2d Thur.....	118		4			5	117
337	Henry M. Phillips.	Monongahela....	43	2d Tues.....	153	3	20	4	1	3	168
338	Great Bend.....	Great Bend.....	15	2d Tues.....	60	3	6	4		3	62
339	Hyde Park.....	Scranton .....	13	3d Mon.....	264	1	21	1		2	283
340	Thomson .....	Green Tree.....	5	Wed. F. M...	148	1	10			1	158
341	Factoryville.....	Factoryville.....	13	Tues. F. M...	69	4	9	2	3	3	74
342	Eulalia .....	Coudersport.....	44	* .....	163	3	11		1	5	171
343	Skerrett.....	Cochranville.....	5	Tues. F. M...	140	1	2				143
344	Milford .....	Milford .....	14	Wed. F. M...	50		16	1		1	64
345	Schiller.....	Scranton .....	13	2d Mon.....	221	1	9			9	222
346	King Solomon.....	Connellsville ...	31	3d Mon.....	154	2	6			3	159
347	Lake Erie.....	Girard .....	24	1st Wed.....	84	1	5		1	1	88
348	Patmos .....	Hanover .....	4	† .....	95	1	5				101
349	Catawissa.....	Catawissa .....	35	Tues. b. F. M.	98		3		5	2	94
350	Bloss.....	Blossburg.....	17	Sat. F. M...	121	1	20		1	3	138
351	Cowanessque.....	Knoxville.....	17	Wed. F. M...	48		2	1		1	48
352	Lucius H. Scott....	Chester .....	36	1st Tues.....	250		20	2		4	264
353	Oxford.....	Oxford.....	36	Wed. F. M...	142		6			3	145
354	Sylvania .....	Shickshinny.....	12	Mon. F. M...	69		6			2	73
355	Acacia.....	Blairsville.....	39	2d Thur.....	114		9	1		2	120
357	Mahanoy City.....	Mahanoy City....	11	3d Thur.....	106		14			2	118
358	Somerset.....	Somerset.....	41	Tues. F. M...	123		4		1	1	125
359	Humboldt.....	Philadelphia ....	A	4th Thur.....	125		5	2	1	4	123
360	Canawacta .....	Susquehanna ....	15	1st Fri.....	130	3	11			2	142
361	Big Spring.....	Newville .....	3	2d Thur.....	60	2		1	1	1	59
362	Tyrian .....	Erie .....	24	1st Fri.....	183	3	15		3	3	195
363	Petrolia .....	Oil City.....	23	1st Fri.....	271	4	19		1	5	288
364	Susquehanna .....	Millersburg .....	2	1st Fri.....	75		7				82

\* No. 342 meets second and fourth Wednesday, except December, which shall be second Wednesday.

† No. 348 meets second Tuesday, except October, November, January, February, and March, which shall be second and fourth Tuesday .

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365	Corry .....	Corry .....	24	1st Tues.....	98	4	8	1	1	1	107
366	Eureka .....	Union City.....	24	1st Fri.....	69	1	4		4		70
367	Teutonia .....	Reading .....	7	3d Thur.....	82		6	2		4	82
368	Corinthian .....	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Tues.....	158	1	8	1	1	4	161
369	Williamson .....	" .....	A	3d Thur.....	148	1	15	3		2	159
370	Mifflinburg .....	Mifflinburg.....	18	Mon. F. M....	67		4		1	1	69
371	Lamberton .....	Thompstontown..	19	Mon. F. M....	35			1			34
372	Spartan .....	Spartansburg....	25	1st Mon.....	57		6			1	62
373	Tioga .....	Tioga .....	17	3d Thur.....	76	3	2		4		77
374	Davage .....	Allegheny .....	32	2d Thur.....	277	3	16		2	6	288
375	Alliquippa .....	McKeesport.....	38	1st Tues.....	269		25			5	289
376	McVeytown.....	McVeytown.....	19	1st Tues.....	46						46
377	Huguenot.....	Kutztown.....	7	Sat. F. M....	115	1	6		2	1	119
378	Mount Carmel....	Mt. Carmel .....	2	2d Thur.....	93		10		1	3	99
379	Elk .....	Ridgway .....	33	2d & 4th Tues.	184	4	9		2	4	191
380	Pennsylvania .....	Philadelphia ....	A	1st Tues.....	100	1	22	1	7	3	112
381	Newport .....	Newport .....	19	1st Tues.....	60	1	6			1	66
382	Emporium .....	Emporium .....	33	2d Tues.....	87		7			2	92
383	Goddard .....	Coatesville .....	5	F. M. Tues....	118		13		1	2	128
384	Richard Vaux ....	Philadelphia ....	A	1st Mon.....	170	3	16			4	185
385	Oriental.....	" .....	A	1st Thur.....	358	2	41	3	2	3	393
386	Apollo .....	" .....	A	3d Wed.....	313	2	16	1		4	326
388	McKean .....	Smethport.....	22	2d & 4th Wed.	99		8		4	1	102
389	Kedron.....	West Middlesex ..	26	1st Mon.....	32	1	10				43
390	McCandless .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	2d Wed.....	328		38	5	1	2	358
391	Moshannon.....	Philipsburg .....	21	2d Thur.....	135	3	16			4	150
392	Perry.....	Erie .....	24	2d Tues.....	202	1	17		4	3	213
393	Vaux .....	Philadelphia ....	A	4th Tues.....	170		27	1		10	186
395	Kingston.....	Kingston.....	12	2d Wed.....	130	1	18				149
396	Dallas .....	Easton.....	9	1st Tues.....	209	3	23	1	2	8	224
397	Ivy.....	Williamsport....	18	1st Tues.....	236		21		1	2	254
398	Ashara.....	Marietta .....	42	Mon. F. M....	67		6		1		72
399	North East.....	North East.....	24	1st Wed.....	113	1	5	4	1	1	113
400	Friendship .....	Jenkintown .....	8	Tues. F. M....	133		11	1			143
401	Watson town .....	Watson town .....	18	Wed. F. M....	82		10		1		91
402	Perkins .....	Philadelphia ....	A	1st Fri.....	257	3	14	1	2	8	263
404	Eureka .....	Northumberland.	35	3d Mon.....	57		4			1	60
405	Howell .....	Honey Brook....	5	Wed. F. M....	92	1	6		1		98
406	Vaux .....	Hamburg .....	7	2d Thur.....	127		8			2	133
408	.....	Meadville .....	25	1st Mon.....	69		5		6		68
409	Pine Grove.....	Pine Grove.....	11	1st Mon.....	66		1			1	66
410	W. K. Bray.....	Hatboro.....	8	Wed. F. M....	77		11				88
411	Meridian.....	Enon Valley ....	37	Fri. F. M....	47	2	13	1	1	1	59
412	Temple.....	Tidioute .....	23	2d Tues.....	46	1		2	1		44
413	Manoquesy .....	Bath .....	9	Fri. F. M....	57		1	3		4	51
414	Elysburg .....	Elysburg.....	2	Thur. F. M....	34		5		2		37
415	Canton.....	Canton .....	16	Tues. F. M....	117	3	8	3		3	122
416	Oasis .....	Edinboro.....	24	2d & 4th Tues.	36	4	11	1	2		48
417	Christiana .....	Christiana.....	1	Thur. F. M....	125		8	2		2	129
418	Roman.....	Rome.....	16	Sat. F. M....	41	1	3			1	44
419	Wm. B. Schnider..	Philadelphia ....	A	2d Tues.....	416		31	2		14	431



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420	Fritz .....	Conshohocken...	6	3d Tues.....	133		8			4	137
421	Osceola .....	Elkland .....	17	2d Fri.....	41		5	1		1	44
423	Shrewsbury .....	Shrewsbury .....	4	Tues. F. M....	77		8	1		1	83
424	Adelphic .....	Jamestown.....	26	1st & 3d Tues.	48		10			1	57
425	Waterford.....	Waterford .....	24	Tues. F. M....	61	1	17	1	1		77
426	Cressona.....	Cressona .....	11	Thur. F. M....	59		8			3	64
427	Newtown.....	Newtown .....	8	Wed. F. M....	98		6	1	1	1	101
428	Smithfield.....	East Smithfield..	16	* .....	31		3	1	1	1	31
429	Harmony .....	Zelienople.....	37	Thur. F. M....	59		9			2	66
430	Stuckrath .....	Allegheny .....	32	2d Thur.....	391	6	33	3	1	4	422
431	Williamson .....	Saltsburg .....	39	1st Tues.....	46		7			2	51
432	.....	Philadelphia ....	A	2d Thur.....	248	2	21	3	2	5	261
433	Lodge of the Craft..	New Castle.....	26	3d Tues.....	188	2	20	1	1	4	204
434	Lake .....	Sandy Lake.....	26	2d Thur.....	102		18	3		1	116
435	St. John's.....	Reading.....	7	1st Fri.....	195		18	2			211
436	Mozart .....	Philadelphia ....	A	2d Tues.....	248	6	21	4	3	3	265
437	Apollo .....	Apollo.....	39	2d Tues.....	77		4				81
438	Nicholson.....	Nicholson.....	15	Sat. F. M....	65	2	10		1		76
439	Forest City.....	Forest City.....	15	1st Mon.....	59	3	9				71
440	Slatington.....	Slatington.....	10	Thur. F. M....	83		4			1	86
441	Potter .....	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Fri.....	298	3	38		2	8	329
442	Landmark .....	Wilkes-Barre....	12	2d Mon.....	296	8	38	4	1	2	335
443	Mount Pisgah.....	Greencastle.....	3	Tues. F. M....	47		8			1	54
444	Philo .....	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Tues.....	211	6	22	1	2	3	233
445	Harford.....	Hop Bottom.....	15	Thurs. F. M....	50		3			1	52
446	Mount Pickering...	Upper Uwchlan ..	40	Mon. b. F. M.	131		8		1	1	137
447	Claysville .....	Claysville.....	29	Fri. F. M....	46					1	45
448	Zeredatha.....	Sharpsburg.....	32	2d Thur.....	165		23	1		1	186
449	Ivanhoe .....	Philadelphia ....	A	2d Thur.....	214	5	28	2	1	2	242
450	Stephen Girard ....	" .....	A	4th Wed.....	173		11			3	181
451	Zeredatha .....	York .....	42	† .....	118		20	1			137
453	Welcome.....	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Thur.....	219	1	20	3	1	7	229
454	Richard Vaux.....	Burgettstown....	29	4th Fri.....	73	1	8			1	81
455	Keystone.....	Erie .....	24	3d Tues.....	193	3	17	1	3	1	208
456	Covenant .....	Philadelphia ....	A	2d Tues.....	228	1	22		1	2	248
457	St. James.....	Beaver.....	37	Thur F. M....	127		4	1		1	129
458	Perry .....	Marysville .....	19	1st Tues.....	67					3	64
459	Valley .....	Masontown.....	31	Thur. F. M....	86	1	14	1	1	1	98
460	Oriental.....	Orangeville.....	35	F. M. Tues....	57		2			1	57
461	Monongahela Valley	Coal Centre .....	43	3d Mon.....	69		6			1	74
462	Knapp .....	Berwick .....	12	F. M. Fri....	106	1	18		1	2	122
463	Shepherd.....	Titusville .....	25	1st & 3d Mon.	76	1	8	1	1	1	82
464	Robert Burns.....	Harrisburg.....	2	3d Thur.....	340	3	32		7	4	364
465	Hebron.....	New Oxford.....	4	3d Mon.....	56		7		2		61
466	Kingsbury .....	Olyphant .....	13	1st Fri.....	66	1	5	1	1		70
467	Laurel .....	White Haven....	12	Mon. F. M....	65	1	6	1		2	69
468	Wyoming .....	Wyoming.....	12	Last Fri.....	61	1	8		2		68
469	Saucon .....	Coopersburg.....	10	Tues. F. M....	40		1			2	39
470	Palestine .....	Philadelphia ....	A	2d Thur. ....	182	2	20	1	1	3	199
471	Le Ray.....	Le Raysville....	16	Sat. F. M....	45	3	2		1	2	47
472	Mount Hermon....	Uniondale.....	15	Fri. F. M....	44		1			1	44

\* No. 428 meets Friday on or before Full Moon and St. John the Evangelist's Day, Dec. 27.

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473	Covenant .....	Cambridge Spr'gs	25	2d & 4th Fri..	92	2	7		2	1	98
474	Coalville .....	Ashley .....	12	2d Tues. ....	122	3	5	1		2	127
475	Kennett .....	Kennett Square..	36	Thur. F. M... 115			7	1	1	3	117
476	Lamberton .....	Lancaster .....	1	1st Tues. ....	212		10	1			221
477	Westfield .....	Westfield .....	17	Sat. F. M.... 101		4	14			3	116
478	Beaver Valley .....	Beaver Falls .....	37	3d Tues. ....	129	2	11			1	141
479	Union .....	Birdsboro .....	7	Thur. F. M... 83			10			1	92
480	Noble .....	Curwensville ....	21	Tues. F. M... 86			11	1		1	95
481	St. Paul's .....	Philadelphia ....	A	1st Thur. ....	441	5	24	4	2	10	454
482	Athelstan .....	" .....	A	1st Tues. ....	170	3	10	4	1	2	176
483	Fraternal .....	Rouseville .....	23	1st & 3d Wed. 73			5				78
484	Pittsburgh .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	2d Mon. ....	486	1	48	5	2	6	522
485	Glasgow .....	Smith's Ferry ...	37	Wed. F. M... 62			12				74
486	Prince Edwin .....	Middletown .....	2	1st Mon. ....	86		9	1		2	92
487	Rob't A. Lamberton	Philadelphia ....	A	1st Tues. ....	198		12	4	2	4	200
490	Logan .....	Altoona .....	20	1st Tues. ....	216	3	11	2	1		202
491	Excelsior .....	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Wed. ....	183	1	28			5	224
493	Crescent .....	" .....	A	2d Mon. ....	216	2	20	4	1	9	277
494	Tyrone .....	Tyrone .....	20	3d Mon. ....	158	1	12	1		3	167
495	Renovo .....	Renovo .....	33	1st Tues. ....	110		6				116
496	Charles M. Howell.	Millersville .....	1	Fri. F. M.... 57			7		1		63
498	Pine .....	Linesville .....	25	1st Tues. ....	46	1	3	1	1		48
499	Valley .....	Pittston .....	12	1st Thur. ....	118		17	1	2		132
500	Wm. C. Hamilton.	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Wed. ....	393	1	28	4	1	4	413
502	Pollock .....	Tarentum .....	32	1st Thur. ....	130	2	11		1	3	139
503	Riverside .....	Wrightsville ....	42	3d Mon. ....	43		6				49
504	Moscow .....	Moscow .....	13	Fri. F. M.... 56			6		3	1	58
505	Liberty .....	Port Allegany ...	22	1st Tues. ....	56	3	3			1	61
506	Jerusalem .....	Philadelphia ....	A	2d Thur. ....	199	1	18	1		4	213
507	New Milford .....	New Milford ....	15	3d Wed. ....	38		3	6	2		33
508	Dallas .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	1st Fri. ....	573	6	83	2	6	5	649
509	Germania .....	" .....	28	2d Fri. ....	118		10				128
510	Braddock's Field..	Braddock .....	38	3d Tues. ....	283		19				302
511	Shenandoah .....	Shenandoah .....	11	Wed. b. F. M. 89			2	1	1	1	88
512	Quakertown .....	Quakertown .....	8	Thur. F. M... 86			3			1	88
513	Guyasuta .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	3d Tues. ....	147		22			3	166
515	Osceola .....	Osceola Mills ...	21	2d Mon. ....	122		2	2	1		121
516	Mahoning .....	Danville .....	35	2d Tues. ....	122	1	5		2	1	125
517	Sharpsville .....	Sharpsville .....	26	1st & 3d Mon. 48		1	6	2	3		50
518	Westmoreland .....	Greensburg .....	30	3d Tues. ....	142	2	5	2		1	146
519	Gothic .....	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Thur. ....	198	3	19		1	3	216
520	Canby .....	St. Petersburg ...	27	1st Thur. ....	80	1	5	1	1	1	83
521	Parker City .....	Parker's Landing	27	1st Mon. ....	76		5				81
522	New Bethlehem ...	New Bethlehem ..	27	1st Wed. ....	121	4	23			2	146
523	Aurora .....	Jermyn .....	13	3d Tues. ....	58		2				60
524	Everett .....	Everett .....	34	Fri. F. M.... 107			4	3	1	1	106
525	Ionic .....	Allegheny .....	32	3d Mon. ....	339		34	3	11	5	354
526	Stephen Bayard ...	Elizabeth .....	43	Wed. b. F. M. 97			5			3	99
527	Philates .....	Philadelphia ....	A	2d Fri. ....	183		16	6	2	3	188
528	Mount Horeb .....	" .....	A	2d Tues. ....	186		8	2	1	5	186
529	St. Alban .....	" .....	A	1st Thur. ....	214	3	23	3	1	6	230

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530	Bellevue.....	Bellevue .....	32	3d Mon. ....	177	1	37	3	3		209
531	George M. Dallas..	Dallas .....	12	Thur. F. M...	52		4		2		54
532	Driftwood.....	Driftwood.....	33	2d Fri.....	75		7				82
533	Wattsburg .....	Wattsburg .....	24	2d Fri.....	39	1	6	2	1		43
534	John W. Jenks....	Punxsutawney ..	21	1st Tues.....	125	3	14		1		141
535	Oakland .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	4th Fri.....	145	1	15		1	5	155
536	John M. Reed.....	Reynoldsville....	27	2d Tues. ....	79		6	1	1	3	80
537	Old Fort .....	Centre Hall .....	21	Mon. F. M...	66		3	5			64
538	Johnstown.....	Johnstown .....	41	1st Thur.....	169	1	15	3		1	181
539	Woodbury .....	Roaring Spring..	20	Thur. F. M...	69		8				77
540	Argyle.....	Chicora.....	27	Wed. F. M...	137		17	2		2	150
541	Nanticoke.....	Nanticoke.....	12	2d Thur.....	118	2	20		2	3	135
542	Waymart .....	Waymart .....	14	Tues. F. M...	36		3				39
543	Fernwood.....	Philadelphia ....	A	4th Thur.....	275	3	16	2		3	289
544	Centennial .....	Carnegie.....	28	1st Mon.....	243	3	31			3	274
545	New London.....	West Grove.....	36	Mon. F. M...	57	2	8			2	65
546	Duquesne .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	2d Thur.....	334	6	27		3	2	362
547	Stillwater.....	Sugar Grove.....	23	Fri. F. M...	50				1		49
548	Verona .....	Verona .....	38	1st Tues.....	80	5	9			2	92
549	Reading .....	Reading .....	7	4th Thur.....	187	1	29	1	2	1	213
550	Edenburg .....	Edenburg .....	27	1st Tues.....	41		1		1	1	40
551	Casiphia .....	Mount Joy.....	1	Fri. F. M...	53	1	12		1	1	64
552	Allegheny Valley..	Emlenton .....	27	2d Tues.....	81		4		1	3	81
553	Spring City .....	Spring City .....	40	Thur. F. M...	113		6	2			117
554	Meyersdale.....	Meyersdale.....	41	1st Mon.....	105	1	14	5	1		114
555	Northern Star .....	Duke Centre ....	22	1st & 3d Tues.	84	3	5	1	1	1	89
556	Lewisville.....	Ulysses .....	44	1st & 3d Wed.	48	3	1	2	1		49
557	Olive .....	Tionesta .....	23	1st Mon.....	58	1	11	1		1	68
558	Shiloh .....	Lansdale.....	6	Tues. F. M...	97	1	13	2		1	108
559	Garfield.....	Du Bois.....	21	1st Thur.....	169	1	11			3	178
560	Eldred.....	Eldred.....	22	2d & 4th Tues.	73		4	1	7	1	68
561	Greenleaf .....	Allentown .....	10	3d Thur.....	142		19		1		160
562	Marion .....	Scottdale.....	30	1st Thur.....	114	3	7			1	123
563	Hellertown.....	Hellertown.....	9	Fri. F. M...	47		4	1	1		49
564	Coatesville .....	Coatesville .....	5	Thur. F. M...	128		8	2	3		131
565	Bangor .....	Bangor.....	9	2d Wed.....	86	1	2		1	1	87
566	Kane .....	Kane.....	33	1st Wed.....	109	1	5	5	2	1	107
567	Prosperity.....	Riegelsville .....	8	Fri. F. M...	52		4	2	1		53
568	La Monte.....	Derry Station....	30	Last Thur....	77		4				81
569	Keystone.....	Parkesburg.....	5	F. M. Fri....	72		10		1	1	80
570	Ashlar.....	Wiconisco .....	2	Tues. F. M...	94		4		1	1	96
571	Wilcox .....	Wilcox .....	33	1st & 3d Tues.	62	1	8		1		70
572	Cromwell.....	Orbisonia .....	34	Last Tues. ...	61	1			1	1	60
573	Corinthian.....	Millvale Borough	32	1st Wed.....	112	2	4	4	1	1	112
574	Coalport.....	Coalport .....	21	4th Mon.....	75	1	14	2		1	87
575	Hebron.....	Mercer.....	26	2d Mon.....	97		10		1	2	104
576	Crescent .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	1st Mon.....	253	2	17		2	1	269
577	Leechburg .....	Leechburg .....	27	2d Thur.....	64		5				69
578	Prospect .....	Moores .....	36	1st Thur.....	78		16	2			92
579	Acacia.....	Taylor.....	13	1st Mon.....	102	1	19	1		1	120
580	Arcana .....	Austin.....	44	2d & 4th Wed.	64		1		1		64



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581	Wayne .....	Wayne .....	6	3d Tues. ....	85	2					87
582	Homestead.....	Homestead .....	38	3d Mon. ....	163	4	23			1	189
583	Youghiogheny.....	McKeesport.....	38	3d Tues. ....	225		32		2	4	251
584	King Solomon.....	Dunmore.....	13	1st Mon. ....	68	1	10	1		1	77
585	Royersford .....	Royersford .....	40	Fri. F. M. ....	80	1	11	2	1		89
586	Acacia.....	Waynesboro.....	4	3d Fri.....	76	1	10	2	2	1	82
587	Manheim .....	Manheim .....	1	Mon. F. M. ....	90		4	3		1	90
588	Oriental Star .....	Peckville .....	13	3d Tues. ....	74		7				81
589	Hyndman.....	Hyndman.....	34	3d Mon. ....	54		6	2		1	57
590	Orient.....	Wilkinsburg .....	38	1st Tues. ....	263	6	50	1	3	4	311
591	Equity .....	Philadelphia ....	A	2d Wed. ....	146		20	2	3	1	160
592	Adelpha.....	Harrison Valley..	44	2d & 4th Tues.	45			1	1	2	41
593	Blyth.....	West Newton ...	30	Mon. F. M. ....	88	1	12			3	98
594	Pen Argyl.....	Pen Argyl .....	9	1st Thur.....	55	2	6	2	1		60
595	Perkiomen.....	East Greenville..	40	F. M. Tues....	46		1				47
596	MacCalla .....	Sellersville .....	8	2d Mon. ....	62		1	2	2	1	58
597	Green Ridge.....	Scranton.....	13	2d Mon. ....	111	2	19	2		1	129
598	Sharon.....	Shingle House...	44	2d & 4th Thur.	55		6				61
599	Ellwood .....	Ellwood City....	26	3d Wed. ....	58		6	3			61
600	Tacony .....	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Tues. ....	113		21				134
601	Shidle .....	Irwin .....	30	1st Tues. ....	65		3		1		67
602	Galeton.....	Galeton.....	44	1st & 3d Tues.	74	4	6		4		80
603	Grove City.....	Grove City.....	26	3d Tues. ....	77	2	7	3	2	1	80
604	Garfield.....	McDonald .....	29	2d & 4th Tues.	111	1	8		1	1	118
605	E. Coppée Mitchell	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Mon. ....	150		22		2		170
606	Radiant Star.....	" .....	A	1st Tues. ....	84		6		7	1	82
607	Olivet .....	" .....	A	4th Tues. ....	189	3	27	2	1		216
608	Joppa .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	1st Tues. ....	117	1	22			2	138
609	Progress .....	Philadelphia ....	A	4th Wed. ....	141	1	13		2	1	152
610	University.....	" .....	A	4th Fri.....	428	14	70		3	3	506
611	Arbutus .....	Freeland.....	12	3d Tues. ....	88		12	3	3		94
612	Tyrian .....	Wilmerding.....	38	1st Thur.....	87	1	12		1		99
613	Valley.....	Turtle Creek.....	38	2d Tues. ....	100		10			2	108
614	James Cochran ....	Dawson.....	31	2d Tues. ....	53	1	4				58
615	Charleroi.....	Charleroi.....	43	2d Thur. ....	127	2	18			2	145
616	Hiram .....	Altoona.....	20	3d Thur. ....	76		7				83
617	Kiskiminetas.....	Vandergrift.....	39	1st Tues. ....	66		8		1		73
618	Wyalusing.....	Wyalusing.....	16	Wed. F. M. ....	52		6	1	2		55
619	Middleburg .....	Middleburg .....	35	* .....	47		5		2	2	48
620	Norristown.....	Norristown.....	6	3d Mon. ....	132		16	1		1	146
621	Leighton .....	Leighton .....	10	1st Thur.....	47		9				56
622	Whitfield.....	Nazareth.....	9	2d Mon. ....	41		7				48
623	Sunset .....	Washington.....	29	3d Mon. ....	45		13				58
624	Henry W. Williams	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Tues. ....	34		10				44
625	Concord.....	Concordville....	36	Wed. F. M. ....	41		10				51
626	Donora .....	Donora.....	43	3d Tues. ....		26	28				54
627	Mount Jewett.....	Mount Jewett ..	22	4th Mon. ....		21	11				32
628	J. Simpson Africa.	East Stroudsburg	9	4th Thur.....		28	21				49
629	Harrisburg.....	Harrisburg.....	2	1st Thur. ....		19	63				82
630	Doric.....	Sewickley.....	32	2d Thur. ....		47	18				65
631	Colonial .....	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Fri.....		19	5				24
632	Maclay .....	Sunbury .....	2	Fri. F. M. ....		29					29
633	Marienville.....	Marienville .....	23	1st Wed. ....							

\* No. 619 meets evening before Full Moon, except when Moon is full on Monday; then that evening.



## SUMMARY.

Number of Lodges December 27, 1902.....	440	
Lodges constituted during the year 1903 .....	7	
Number of Lodges December 27, 1903....	447	
Membership of Lodges December 27, 1902.....		63,097
Admitted during the year 1903 .....	747	
Initiated during the year 1903 .....	5,841	
		<u>6,588</u>
		69,685
Suspended and expelled during the year 1903....	449	
Resigned during the year 1903.....	447	
Deceased during the year 1903.....	1,083	
		<u>1,979</u>
Membership December 27, 1903.....		67,706
Membership December 27, 1902.....		<u>63,097</u>
Increase during the year 1903.....		4,609

# A TABULAR STATEMENT

Of the Lodges included in each District, with the name and residence of each District Deputy Grand Master. The Lodges in the City and County of Philadelphia are under the direct supervision of the Right Worshipful Grand Master.

District.	DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.	RESIDENCE.	LODGE.		LOCATION OF LODGE.	
			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
	Under the R. W. Grand Master.	Philadelphia.....	.....	2	Philadelphia .....	Philadelphia.
			.....	3	" .....	"
			.....	9	" .....	"
			.....	19	" .....	"
			Montgomery.....	51	" .....	"
			.....	52	" .....	"
			Harmony.....	59	" .....	"
			Washington .....	67	" .....	"
			Concordia .....	71	" .....	"
			La Fayette.....	72	" .....	"
			Philadelphia.....	81	" .....	"
			Hiram .....	91	" .....	"
			Columbia.....	114	" .....	"
			Solomon's .....	115	" .....	"
			St. John's.....	121	" .....	"
			Union .....	125	" .....	"
			Hermann.....	126	" .....	"
			Rising Star .....	130	" .....	"
			Phoenix .....	131	" .....	"
			Industry .....		" .....	"

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			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
	Under the R. W. Grand Master.	Philadelphia.....	Franklin .....	134	Philadelphia .....	Philadelphia.
			Roxborough .....	135	" .....	"
			Mount Moriah .....	155	" .....	"
			Meridian Sun .....	158	" .....	"
			Eastern Star .....	186	" .....	"
			Integrity .....	187	" .....	"
			Kensington .....	211	" .....	"
			Richmond .....	230	" .....	"
			Shekinah .....	246	" .....	"
			Keystone .....	271	" .....	"
			Hamilton .....	274	" .....	"
			Orient .....	289	" .....	"
			Frankford .....	292	" .....	"
			Melita .....	295	" .....	"
			Mitchell .....	296	" .....	"
			Humboldt .....	359	" .....	"
			Corinthian .....	368	" .....	"
			Williamson .....	369	" .....	"
			Pennsylvania .....	380	" .....	"
			Richard Vaux .....	384	" .....	"
			Oriental .....	385	" .....	"
			Apollo .....	386	" .....	"
			Vaux .....	393	" .....	"
			Perkins .....	402	" .....	"
			William B. Schnider ..	419	" .....	"
			.....	432	" .....	"
			Mozart .....	436	" .....	"
			Potter .....	441	" .....	"
			Philo .....	444	" .....	"



1	John W. Lausinger...	Ivanhoe.....	449	Philadelphia.....	Philadelphia.
		Stephen Girard.....	450	"	"
		Welcome.....	453	"	"
		Covenant.....	456	"	"
		Palestine.....	470	"	"
		St. Paul's.....	481	"	"
		Athelstan.....	482	"	"
		Robert A. Lamberton	487	"	"
		Excelsior.....	491	"	"
		Crescent.....	493	"	"
		William C. Hamilton	500	"	"
		Jerusalem.....	506	"	"
		Gothic.....	519	"	"
		Philates.....	527	"	"
		Mount Horeb.....	528	"	"
		St. Alban.....	529	"	"
		Fernwood.....	543	"	"
		Equity.....	591	"	"
		Taony.....	600	"	"
		E. Coppée Mitchell...	605	"	"
		Radiant Star.....	606	"	"
		Olivet.....	607	"	"
		Progress.....	609	"	"
		University.....	610	"	"
		Henry W. Williams..	624	"	"
		Colonial.....	631	"	"
		.....	43	Lancaster.....	Lancaster.
		Washington.....	156	Quarryville.....	"
		Christiana.....	417	Christiana.....	"
		Lamberton.....	476	Lancaster.....	"
		Charles M. Howell...	496	Millersville.....	"
		Casiphia.....	551	Mount Joy.....	"
		Manheim.....	587	Manheim.....	"
		Perseverance.....	21	Harrisburg.....	Dauphin.
2	William L. Gorgas....				

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			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
3	Samuel M. Goodyear..	Carlisle, Cumberland Co.	Susquehanna .....	364	Millersburg .....	Dauphin.
			Robert Burns .....	464	Harrisburg .....	"
			Prince Edwin .....	486	Middletown .....	"
			Ashlar .....	570	Wiconisco .....	"
			Harrisburg .....	629	Harrisburg .....	"
			.....	22	Sunbury .....	Northumberland.
			Maclay .....	632	" .....	"
			Shamokin .....	255	Shamokin .....	"
			Mount Carmel .....	378	Mount Carmel .....	"
			Elysburg .....	414	Elysburg .....	"
			Mount Lebanon .....	226	Lebanon .....	Lebanon.
			Cumberland Star .....	197	Carlisle .....	Cumberland.
			St. John's .....	260	" .....	"
			Eureka .....	302	Mechanicsburg .....	"
			Cumberland Valley ..	315	Shippensburg .....	"
			Big Spring .....	361	Newville .....	"
			George Washington ..	143	Chambersburg .....	Franklin.
			Orrstown .....	262	Orrstown .....	"
			Mount Pisgah .....	443	Green Castle .....	"
			Good Samaritan .....	336	Gettysburg .....	Adams.
4	George H. Shirk .....	Hanover, York Co .....	Hebron .....	465	New Oxford .....	"
			Patmos .....	348	Hanover .....	York.
			Shrewsbury .....	423	Shrewsbury .....	"
			Acacia .....	586	Waynesboro' .....	Franklin.
5	David H. Weaver .....	Coatesville, Chester Co...	Williamson .....	309	Downingtown .....	Franklin.
			West Chester .....	322	West Chester .....	Chester.
			Thomson .....	340	Green Tree Station ..	"
			Skerrett .....	343	Cochranville .....	"
			Goddard .....	383	Coatesville .....	"

6	Thaddeus S. Adle.....	Norristown, Montg'y Co.	Howell..... Coatesville .....	405 564 569	Honeybrook..... Coatesville .....	Chester. " "
7	Adam H. Schmehl.....	Reading, Berks Co.....	Keystone .....	190	Norristown .....	Montgomery.
			Charity .....	273	Ardmore.....	"
			Cassia.....	310	Trappe.....	"
			Warren .....	420	Conshohocken.....	"
			Fritz.....	558	Lansdale.....	"
			Shiloh .....	620	Norristown .....	"
			Norristown .....	581	Wayne .....	Delaware.
			Wayne .....	62	Reading .....	Berks.
			.....	227	" .....	"
			Chandler .....	307	Womelsdorf.....	"
			Williamson .....	367	Reading ..	"
			Teutonia .....	377	Kutztown .....	"
			Huguenot .....	406	Hamburg .....	"
			Vaux .....	435	Reading .....	"
			St. John's .....	479	Birdsboro' .....	"
			Union .....	549	Reading .....	"
			Reading.....	25	Bristol .....	Bucks.
			Bristol .....	245	Doylestown .....	"
			Doylestown .....	427	Newtown .....	"
			Newtown .....	512	Quakertown.....	"
			Quakertown .....	567	Riegelsville .....	"
			Prosperity .....	596	Sellersville.....	"
			MacCalla.....	308	Fort Washington ..	Montgomery
			Fort Washington...	400	Jenkintown .....	"
			Friendship .....	410	Hatboro' .....	"
			W. K. Bray.....	152	Easton.....	Northampton.
			Easton .....	283	Bethlehem .....	"
			Bethlehem .....	311	Portland .....	"
			Portland .....	396	Easton.....	"
			Dallas.....	413	Bath .....	"
			Manoquesy .....	563	Hellertown .....	"
			Hellertown .....			
8	Charles S. Vandegrift..	Eddington, Bucks Co....				
9	William M. Semple....	Easton, N'thampt'n Co...				



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10	Aaron R. Trumbower..	Passer, Bucks Co.....	Bangor .....	565	Bangor .....	Northampton.
			Pen Argyl.....	594	Pen Argyl .....	"
			Whitfield.....	622	Nazareth .....	"
			Barger .....	325	Stroudsburg .....	Monroe.
			J. Simpson Africa.....	628	East Stroudsburg ...	"
			Carbon.....	242	Mauch Chunk .....	Carbon.
			Lehighton .....	621	Lehighton .....	"
			Porter .....	284	Catasauqua .....	Lehigh.
			Lehigh .....	326	Trexlerstown .....	"
			Barger .....	333	Allentown .....	"
11	Matthew M. MacMillan	Mahanoy City, Sch 'k'l Co.	Slatington .....	440	Slatington .....	"
			Saucon .....	469	Coopersburg .....	"
			Greenleaf.....	561	Allentown .....	"
			Hazle .....	327	Hazleton .....	Luzerne.
			Schuylkill .....	138	Orwigsburg .....	Schuylkill.
			Pulaski .....	216	Pottsville .....	"
			Minersville .....	222	Minersville .....	"
			Tamaqua.....	238	Tamaqua .....	"
			Swatara .....	267	Tremont .....	"
			Page.....	270	Schuylkill Haven...	"
12	William D. White....	Wilkes-Barre, Luz'ne Co.	Anthracite .....	285	St. Clair.....	"
			Ashland.....	294	Ashland .....	"
			Mahanoy City.....	357	Mahanoy City .....	"
			Pine Grove.....	409	Pine Grove.....	"
			Cressona .....	426	Cressona .....	"
			Shenandoah .....	511	Shenandoah .....	"
			.....	61	Wilkes-Barre .....	Luzerne.
			St. John's.....	233	Pittston .....	"
			Plymouth .....	332	Plymouth .....	"

13	Thomas F. Wells.....	Scranton, Lackaw'na Co.	Sylvania .....	354	Shickshinny.....	Luzerne.
			Kingston .....	395	Kingston .....	"
			Landmark .....	442	Wilkes-Barre .....	"
			Laurel .....	467	White Haven .....	"
			Wyoming .....	468	Wyoming .....	"
			Coalville .....	474	Ashley .....	"
			Valley .....	499	Pittston .....	"
			George M. Dallas .....	531	Dallas .....	"
			Nanticoke .....	541	Nanticoke .....	"
			Arbutus .....	611	Freeland .....	"
			Knapp .....	462	Berwick .....	Columbia.
			Carbondale .....	249	Carbondale.....	Lackawanna.
			Hiram .....	261	Scranton .....	"
			Union .....	291	" .....	"
			Waverly .....	301	Clark's Summit....	"
			Peter Williamson....	323	Scranton .....	"
			Hyde Park .....	339	" .....	"
			Schiller .....	345	" .....	"
			Kingsbury .....	466	Olyphant .....	"
			Moscow .....	504	Moscow .....	"
			Aurora .....	523	Jermyn .....	"
			Acacia .....	579	Taylor .....	"
			King Solomon.....	584	Dunmore .....	"
			Oriental Star.....	588	Peckville .....	"
14	William H. Hulsizer...	Honesdale, Wayne Co...	Green Ridge.....	597	Scranton .....	"
			Factoryville .....	341	Factoryville.....	Wyoming.
			Honesdale .....	218	Honesdale .....	Wayne.
			Hawley .....	305	Hawley.....	"
			Salem .....	330	Hamlington.....	"
			Waymart .....	542	Waymart.....	"
			Milford .....	344	Milford .....	Pike.
			Warren .....	240	Montrose .....	Susquehanna.
			Freedom .....	328	Jackson .....	"
			Great Bend.....	338	Great Bend.....	"
15	Homer E. Spencer.....	Susquehanna, Susq'a Co..				

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			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
16	James Wilson Piatt.....	Tunkhannock, Wyo'g Co.	Canawacta .....	360	Susquehanna .....	Susquehanna.
			Forest City .....	439	Forest City .....	"
			Harford .....	445	Hop Bottom .....	"
			Mount Hermon .....	472	Uniondale .....	"
			New Milford .....	507	New Milford .....	"
			Nicholson .....	438	Nicholson .....	Wyoming.
			Rural Amity .....	70	Athens .....	Bradford.
			Union .....	108	Towanda .....	"
			Evergreen .....	163	Monroeton .....	"
			Trojan .....	306	Troy .....	"
			Canton .....	415	Canton .....	"
			Roman .....	418	Rome .....	"
			Smithfield .....	428	East Smithfield .....	"
			Le Ray .....	471	Le Raysville .....	"
			Wyalusing .....	618	Wyalusing .....	"
			Temple .....	248	Tunkhannock .....	Wyoming.
17	Howard F. Marsh.....	Wellsboro, Tioga Co.....	Franklin .....	263	Laceyville .....	"
			Friendship .....	247	Mansfield .....	Tioga.
			Ossea .....	317	Wellsboro' .....	"
			Bloss .....	350	Blossburg .....	"
			Cowanesque .....	351	Knoxville .....	"
			Tioga .....	373	Tioga .....	"
			Osceola .....	421	Osceola .....	"
			Westfield .....	477	Westfield .....	"
			.....	106	Williamsport .....	Lycoming
			La Belle Vallée .....	232	Jersey Shore .....	"
18	James A. Pugh .....	Williamsport, Lyco'g Co.	Muncy .....	299	Muncy .....	"
			Eureka .....	335	Montoursville .....	"
			Ivy .....	397	Williamsport .....	"



19	Ezra C. Doty.....	Mifflintown, Juniata Co.	Watson town .....	401	Watson town .....	Northumberland.
			Charity .....	144	Lewisburg .....	Union.
			Mifflinburg .....	370	Mifflinburg .....	"
			Adams .....	319	New Bloomfield .....	Perry.
			Newport .....	381	Newport .....	"
			Perry .....	458	Marysville .....	"
			Lewistown .....	203	Lewistown .....	Mifflin.
			McVeytown .....	376	McVeytown .....	"
			Union .....	324	Mifflintown .....	Juniata.
			Lamberton .....	371	Thompsonstown .....	"
20	Boyd G. Steel.....	Altoona, Blair Co.....	Portage .....	220	Holidaysburg .....	Blair.
			Mountain .....	281	Altoona .....	"
			Juniata .....	282	Holidaysburg .....	"
			Logan .....	490	Altoona .....	"
			Tyrone .....	494	Tyrone .....	"
			Woodbury .....	539	Roaring Spring .....	"
			Hiram .....	616	Altoona .....	"
			Bellefonte .....	268	Bellefonte .....	Centre
			Moshannon .....	391	Phillipsburg .....	"
			Old Fort .....	537	Centre Hall .....	"
21	Wilson I. Fleming....	Bellefonte, Centre Co....	Clearfield .....	314	Clearfield .....	Clearfield.
			Noble .....	480	Curwensville .....	"
			Osceola .....	515	Osceola Mills .....	"
			Garfield .....	559	Du Bois .....	"
			Coalport .....	574	Coalport .....	"
			John W. Jenks .....	534	Punxsutawney .....	Jefferson.
			Union .....	334	Bradford .....	McKean
			McKean .....	388	Smethport .....	"
			Liberty .....	505	Port Allegany .....	"
			Northern Star .....	555	Duke Centre .....	"
22	Solomon R. Dresser....	Bradford, McKean Co....	Eldred .....	560	Eldred .....	"
			Mount Jewett .....	627	Mount Jewett .....	"
			North Star .....	241	Warren .....	Warren.
			Columbus .....	264	Columbus .....	"
23	William F. Cullis .....	Oil City, Venango Co....	Watson town .....	401	Watson town .....	Northumberland.
			Charity .....	144	Lewisburg .....	Union.
			Mifflinburg .....	370	Mifflinburg .....	"
			Adams .....	319	New Bloomfield .....	Perry.
			Newport .....	381	Newport .....	"
			Perry .....	458	Marysville .....	"
			Lewistown .....	203	Lewistown .....	Mifflin.
			McVeytown .....	376	McVeytown .....	"
			Union .....	324	Mifflintown .....	Juniata.
			Lamberton .....	371	Thompsonstown .....	"

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			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
24	David A. Sawdey.....	Erie, Erie Co.....	Temple .....	412	Tidioute .....	Warren.
			Stillwater .....	547	Sugar Grove .....	"
			Myrtle .....	316	Franklin .....	Venango
			Petrolia .....	363	Oil City .....	"
			Fraternal .....	483	Rouseville .....	"
			Olive .....	557	Tionesta .....	Forest.
			Acacia .....	633	Marienville .....	"
			Western Star .....	304	Albion .....	Erie.
			Lake Erie .....	347	Girard .....	"
			Tyrian .....	362	Erie .....	"
			Corry .....	365	Corry .....	"
			Eureka .....	366	Union City .....	"
			Perry .....	392	Erie .....	"
			North East .....	399	North East .....	"
			Oasis .....	416	Edinboro' .....	"
			Waterford .....	425	Waterford .....	"
			Keystone .....	455	Erie .....	"
25	Adrian W. McCoy. ....	Meadville, Crawford Co.	Wattsburg .....	533	Wattsburg .....	"
			Crawford .....	234	Meadville .....	Crawford.
			Western Crawford .....	258	Conneautville .....	"
			Oil Creek .....	303	Titusville .....	"
			Spartan .....	372	Spartansburg .....	"
			.....	408	Meadville .....	"
			Shepherd .....	463	Titusville .....	"
			Covenant .....	473	Cambridge Springs..	"
			Pine .....	498	Linesville .....	"
			Mahoning .....	243	New Castle .....	Lawrence.
26	Walter D. Clark.....	New Castle, Lawrence Co.	Lodge of the Craft...	433	"	"
			Ellwood .....	599	Ellwood City .....	"

27	William B. Meredith...	Kittanning, Armstr'g Co.	Sharon .....	250	Sharon .....	Mercer.
			Eureka .....	290	Greenville .....	"
			Kedron .....	389	West Middlesex .....	"
			Adelphic .....	424	Jamestown .....	"
			Lake .....	434	Sandy Lake .....	"
			Sharpsville .....	517	Sharpsville .....	"
			Hebron .....	575	Mercer .....	"
			Grove City .....	603	Grove City .....	"
			Butler .....	272	Butler .....	Butler.
			Argyle .....	540	Chicora .....	"
			Armstrong .....	239	Freeport .....	Armstrong.
			Kittanning .....	244	Kittanning .....	"
			Parker City .....	521	Parker's Landing .....	"
			Leechburg .....	577	Leechburg .....	"
			Hobah .....	276	Brookville .....	Jefferson.
			John M. Read .....	536	Reynoldsville .....	"
			Clarion .....	277	Clarion .....	Clarion.
			Canby .....	520	St. Petersburg .....	"
			New Bethlehem .....	522	New Bethlehem .....	"
			Edenburgh .....	550	Edenburgh .....	"
			Allegheny Valley .....	552	Emlenton .....	Venango.
			.....	45	Pittsburgh .....	Allegheny.
			St. John's .....	219	"	"
			Franklin .....	221	"	"
			Solomon .....	231	"	"
			Washington .....	253	"	"
			Monongahela .....	269	"	"
			Milnor .....	287	"	"
			Hailman .....	321	"	"
			McCandless .....	390	"	"
			Pittsburgh .....	484	"	"
			Dallas .....	508	"	"
			Germania .....	509	"	"
			Guyasuta .....	513	"	"
28	William M. Hamilton...	Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co.				



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			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
29	James W. McDowell..	Washington, Wash. Co.	Oakland.....	535	Pittsburgh .....	Allegheny.
			Centennial .....	544	Carnegie.....	"
			Duquesne .....	546	Pittsburgh .....	"
			Crescent.....	576	" .....	"
			Joppa.....	608	" .....	"
			Washington .....	164	Washington.....	Washington.
			Chartiers .....	297	Canonsburg .....	"
			Claysville .....	447	Claysville.....	"
			Richard Vaux.....	454	Burgettstown .....	"
			Garfield .....	604	McDonald .....	"
30	John S. Sell.....	Greensburg, Westm'd Co.	Sunset .....	623	Washington .....	"
			Waynesburg.....	153	Waynesburg .....	Greene.
			Philanthropy .....	225	Greensburg .....	Westmoreland.
			Loyalhanna .....	275	Latrobe.....	"
			Ligonier .....	331	Ligonier .....	"
			Westmoreland .....	518	Greensburg .....	"
			Marion.....	562	Scottdale.....	"
			La Monte.....	568	Derry Station.....	"
			Blyth.....	593	West Newton.....	"
			Shidle .....	601	Irwin .....	"
31	John D. Carr.....	Uniontown, Fayette Co.	Brownsville .....	60	Brownsville .....	Fayette.
			Fayette .....	228	Uniontown .....	"
			Gummert .....	252	Fayette City.....	"
			King Solomon.....	346	Connellsville .....	"
			Valley .....	459	Masontown .....	"
			James Cochran.....	614	Dawson .....	"
			Allegheny.....	223	Allegheny .....	Allegheny.
			Jefferson .....	288	" .....	"
			McKinley .....	318	" .....	"
32	George H. Quail....	Bellevue, Allegheny Co.				

33	James Harris Mussina..	Lock Haven, Clinton Co..	Davage .....	374	Allegheny .....	Allegheny.
			Stuckrath .....	430	" .....	"
			Zeredatha .....	448	Sharpsburg .....	"
			Pollock .....	502	Tarentum .....	"
			Ionic .....	525	Allegheny .....	"
			Bellevue .....	530	Bellevue .....	"
			Corinthian .....	573	Millvale Borough .....	"
			Doric .....	630	Sewickley .....	"
			La Fayette .....	199	Lock Haven .....	Clinton.
			Renovo .....	495	Renovo .....	"
34	William L. Johnston ..	Huntingdon, Hunt'n Co.	Elk .....	379	Ridgway .....	Elk.
			Wilcox .....	571	Wilcox .....	"
			Emporium .....	382	Emporium .....	Cameron.
			Driftwood .....	532	Driftwood .....	"
			Kane .....	566	Kane .....	McKean.
			Mount Moriah .....	300	Huntingdon .....	Huntingdon.
			Cromwell .....	572	Orbisonia .....	"
			Bedford .....	320	Bedford .....	Bedford.
			Everett .....	524	Everett .....	"
			Hyndman .....	589	Hyndman .....	"
35	John W. Farnsworth..	Danville, Montour Co....	Danville .....	224	Danville .....	Montour.
			Mahoning .....	516	" .....	"
			Washington .....	265	Bloomsburg .....	Columbia.
			Catawissa .....	349	Catawissa .....	"
			Oriental .....	460	Orangeville .....	"
			Milton .....	256	Milton .....	Northumberland.
			Eureka .....	404	Northumberland .....	"
			La Fayette .....	194	Selin's Grove .....	Snyder.
			Middleburg .....	619	Middleburg .....	"
			Chester .....	236	Chester .....	Delaware.
36	John D. Goff.....	Chester, Delaware Co....	George W. Bartram..	298	Media .....	"
			L. H. Scott .....	352	Chester .....	"
			Prospect .....	578	Moore .....	"
			Concord .....	625	Concordville .....	"

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			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
37	Frank C. O'Rourke....	New Brighton, Beaver Co.	Oxford .....	353	Oxford .....	Chester.
			Kennett .....	475	Kennett Square .....	"
			New London .....	545	West Grove .....	"
			Rochester .....	229	Rochester .....	Beaver.
			Union .....	259	New Brighton .....	"
			St. James .....	457	Beaver .....	"
			Beaver Valley .....	478	Beaver Falls .....	"
			Glasgow .....	485	Smith's Ferry .....	"
			Harmony .....	429	Zelienople .....	Butler.
			Meridian .....	411	Enon Valley .....	Lawrence.
			Aliquippa .....	375	McKeesport .....	Allegheny.
			Braddock's Field .....	510	Braddock .....	"
38	Samuel Hamilton .....	Braddock, Allegheny Co.	Verona .....	548	Verona .....	"
			Homestead .....	582	Homestead .....	"
			Youghioghenny .....	583	McKeesport .....	"
			Orient .....	590	Wilkinsburg .....	"
			Tyrian .....	612	Wilmerding .....	"
			Valley .....	613	Turtle Creek .....	"
			Indiana .....	313	Indiana .....	Indiana.
			Acacia .....	355	Blairsville .....	"
			Williamson .....	431	Saltsburg .....	"
			Apollo .....	437	Apollo .....	Armstrong.
			Kiskiminetas .....	617	Vandergrift .....	Westmoreland.
			Stichter .....	254	Pottstown .....	Montgomery.
39	William S. Daugherty..	Indiana, Indiana Co.....	Royersford .....	585	Royersford .....	"
			Perkiomen .....	595	East Greenville .....	"
			Phoenix .....	75	Phoenixville .....	Chester.
			Mt. Pickering .....	446	Upper Uwchlan .....	"
			Spring City .....	553	Spring City .....	"
40	William H. Maxwell...	Pottstown, Montgo'ry Co.	Indiana .....	313	Indiana .....	Indiana.
			Acacia .....	355	Blairsville .....	"
			Williamson .....	431	Saltsburg .....	"
			Apollo .....	437	Apollo .....	Armstrong.
			Kiskiminetas .....	617	Vandergrift .....	Westmoreland.
			Stichter .....	254	Pottstown .....	Montgomery.
			Royersford .....	585	Royersford .....	"
			Perkiomen .....	595	East Greenville .....	"
			Phoenix .....	75	Phoenixville .....	Chester.
			Mt. Pickering .....	446	Upper Uwchlan .....	"
			Spring City .....	553	Spring City .....	"



41	John J. Jones.....	Johnstown, Cambria Co..	Cambria.....	278	Johnstown.....	Cambria.
			Summit.....	312	Ebensburg.....	"
			Johnstown.....	538	Johnstown.....	"
			Somerset.....	358	Somerset.....	Somerset.
			Meyersdale.....	554	Meyersdale.....	"
42	Richard E. Cochran....	York, York Co.....	York.....	266	York.....	York.
			Zeredatha.....	451	".....	"
			Riverside.....	503	Wrightsville.....	"
			Columbia.....	286	Columbia.....	Lancaster.
			Ashara.....	398	Marietta.....	"
43	George B. Frantz.....	Coal Centre, W'sh't'n Co.	Beallsville.....	237	Beallsville.....	Washington.
			Henry M. Phillips...	337	Monongahela.....	"
			Monongahela Valley..	461	Coal Centre.....	"
			Charleroi.....	615	Charleroi.....	"
			Donora.....	626	Donora.....	"
			Stephen Bayard.....	526	Elizabeth.....	Allegheny.
44	Edgar W. Robinson....	Coudersport, Potter Co...	Eulalia.....	342	Coudersport.....	Potter.
			Lewisville.....	556	Ulysses.....	"
			Arcana.....	580	Austin.....	"
			Adelpha.....	592	Harrison Valley.....	"
			Sharon.....	598	Shingle House.....	"
			Galeton.....	602	Galeton.....	"

Brother William B. Joslyn, of Philadelphia, Instructor of Work.

# GRAND OFFICERS OF THE GRAND

From its Organization on the 25th day of September, A.D. 1786, Grand Lodge of England, having been closed forever), with years

Year.	Grand Master.	Deputy Grand Master.	Senior Grand Warden.
1786 <sup>1</sup>	* William Adcock.	* Alexander Rutherford.†	* Joseph Dean.
1787 <sup>2</sup>	do.	* Jonathan Bayard Smith.†	do.
1788 <sup>3</sup>	do.	do.	do.
1789	* Jonathan Bayard Smith.	* George Ord.	do.
1790	do.	do.	* Joseph Few.
1791	do.	* Joseph Few.	* Thomas Proctor.
1792	do.	do.	do.
1793	do.	* John Carson.	* Gavin Hamilton
1794	do.	do.	* John McCree.
1795	* William Ball.	* William Moore Smith.	* Thomas Town.
1796	* William Moore Smith.	* Gavin Hamilton.	do.
1797	do.	do.	do.
1798	* Jonathan Bayard Smith.	do.	do.
1799	do.	* Israel Israel.	* James Milnor.
1800	do.	do.	do.
1801	do.	do.	do.
1802	do.	* James Milnor.	* John W. Van Cleve.
1803	* Israel Israel.	* John Armentiere Monges.	* Ebenezer Ferguson.
1804	do.	* James Milnor.	do.
1805	do.	* Frederick Wolbert.	* Robert Pullen
1806	* James Milnor.	do.	* Robert Lewis.
1807	do.	do.	do.
1808	do.	* Peter Le Barbier Duplessis.	do.
1809	do.	do.	* Richard Tybout.
1810	do.	do.	do.
1811	do.	do.	do.
1812	do.	do.	do.
1813	do.	* Richard Tybout.	* Joseph Burden.
1814	* Richard Tybout.	* Samuel F. Bradford.	do.
1815	* Samuel F. Bradford.	* Walter Kerr.	* Bayse Newcomb.
1816	* Walter Kerr.	* Bayse Newcomb.	* Joseph Barnes.
1817	do.	do.	do.
1818	* Bayse Newcomb.	* Joseph Barnes.	* Thomas Elliott.
1819	do.	do.	do.
1820	do.	* Thomas Elliott.	* Josiah Randall.
1821	do.	do.	do.
1822	* Josiah Randall.	* John Bannister Gibson.	* James Harper.
1823	do.	do.	do.
1824	* John Bannister Gibson.	* James Harper.	* Thomas Kittera
1825	* James Harper.	* Thomas Kittera.	* Samuel Badger.
1826	* Thomas Kittera.	* Samuel Badger.	* Michael Nisbet.
1827	do.	do.	do.
1828	do.	do.	do.
1829	* Samuel Badger.	* Michael Nisbet.	* John Steele.
1830	do.	do.	do.
1831	* Michael Nisbet.	* John Steele.	* George M. Dallas.
1832	do.	do.	do.
1833	* John Steele.	* George M. Dallas.	* Tristram B. Freeman.
1834	do.	do.	do.
1835	* George M. Dallas.	* Tristram B. Freeman.	* Robert Toland.
1836	* Tristram B. Freeman.	* Robert Toland.	* John M. Read.
1837	* John M. Read.	* Samuel H. Perkins.	* William Stephens.
1838	do.	do.	* Joseph R. Chandler.
1839	* Samuel H. Perkins.	* Joseph R. Chandler.	* Cornelius Stevenson.
1840	do.	do.	do.

\* Deceased.

† Appointed by Grand Master.

<sup>1</sup> Election held September 25.

<sup>2</sup> Election held January 2.

<sup>3</sup> Election held December 17, 1787.

# LODGE OF PENNSYLVANIA,

A.L. 5786 (the Provincial Grand Lodge, under a Warrant from the of service, the Election occurring annually in December preceding.

Junior Grand Warden.	Grand Treasurer.	Grand Secretary.	Year.
* William Delaney.	* Gavin Hamilton.	* Assheton Humphreys.	1786 <sup>1</sup>
* George Ord.	do.	do.	1787 <sup>2</sup>
do.	do.	do.	1788 <sup>3</sup>
* Joseph Few.	do.	do.	1789
* William McIlwaine.	do.	* P. Le Barbier Duplessis.	1790
* Gavin Hamilton.	* Benjamin Mason.	do.	1791
do.	do.	do.	1792
* John McCree.	* Edward Fox.	do.	1793
* Edward Fox.	* Gavin Hamilton.	do.	1794
* John Poor.	* John McElwee.	* Thomas Armstrong.	1795
do.	do.	do.	1796
* Thomas Armstrong.	do.	* George A. Baker.	1797
* David Irving.	do.	do.	1798
* Charles Patton.	do.	do.	1799
* Archibald Alexander.	do.	do.	1800
* John W. Van Cleve.	* Gavin Hamilton.	do.	1801
* Ebenezer Ferguson.	do.	do.	1802
* Robert Pullen.	do.	do.	1803
do.	do.	do.	1804
* Robert Poalk.	* Thomas Armstrong.	do.	1805
do.	do.	do.	1806
do.	do.	do.	1807
do.	* Samuel F. Bradford.	do.	1808
do.	do.	do.	1809
* Joseph Burden.	do.	do.	1810
do.	do.	do.	1811
do.	do.	do.	1812
* Samuel F. Bradford.	* Walter Kerr.	do.	1813
* Walter Kerr.	* Thomas Astley.	do.	1814
* Joseph Barnes.	* Richard Bache.	do.	1815
* Richard Bache.	* Joseph S. Lewis.	do. <sup>4</sup>	1816
* Thomas Elliott.	do.	* George A. Baker, Jr.	1817
* Josiah Randall.	do.	do.	1818
do.	do.	do.	1819
* William McCorkle.	do.	do.	1820
* James Harper.	do.	do.	1821
* Thomas Kittera.	do.	do.	1822
do.	do.	do. <sup>5</sup>	1823
* Samuel Badger.	do.	* Bernard Dahlgren.	1824
* Michael Nisbet.	do. <sup>6</sup>	* Samuel H. Thomas.	1825
* John Steele.	* Robert Toland.	do.	1826
do.	do.	do.	1827
do.	* Solomon Allen.	do.	1828
* George M. Dallas.	* Randal Hutchinson.	do.	1829
do.	do.	do.	1830
* Tristram B. Freeman.	* Samuel M. Stewart.	do.	1831
do.	do.	* John M. Read.	1832
* Robert Toland.	* Cornelius Stevenson.	do.	1833
do.	do.	do.	1834
* John M. Read.	* Robinson R. Moore.	* Samuel M. Stewart.	1835
* Samuel H. Perkins.	do.	do.	1836
* Joseph R. Chandler.	do.	do.	1837
* Cornelius Stevenson.	do.	do.	1838
* Francis Cooper.	do.	do.	1839
* William Barger.	do.	* Michael Nisbet.	1840

<sup>4</sup> Died after his re-election, in December, 1816; his son, George A. Baker, Jr., appointed.

<sup>5</sup> Died October, 1823. Nathan R. Potts appointed.

<sup>6</sup> Resigned, March 7, 1825. Robert Toland elected March 21, 1825.



Year.	Grand Master.	Deputy Grand Master.	Senior Grand Warden.
1841	* Joseph R. Chandler.	* Cornelius Stevenson.	* William Barger.
1842	do.	do.	do.
1843	* Cornelius Stevenson.	* William Barger.	* James Page.
1844	* William Barger.	* James Page.	* Peter Fritz.
1845	do.	do.	do.
1846	* James Page.	* Peter Fritz.	* William Whitney.
1847	do.	do.	do.
1848	* Peter Fritz.	* William Whitney.	* Anthony Bournonville.
1849	do.	do.	do.
1850	* William Whitney.	* Anthony Bournonville.	* James Hutchinson.
1851	do.	do.	do.
1852	* Anthony Bournonville.	* James Hutchinson.	* Peter Williamson.
1853	do.	do.	do.
1854	* James Hutchinson.	* Peter Williamson.	* John K. Mitchell.
1855	do.	do.	do.
1856	* Peter Williamson.	* John K. Mitchell.	* Henry M. Phillips.
1857	do.	do.	do.
1858	* John K. Mitchell. <sup>3</sup>	* Henry M. Phillips.	* John Thomson.
1859	* Henry M. Phillips.	* John Thomson.	* David C. Skerrett.
1860	do.	do.	do.
1861	* John Thomson.	* David C. Skerrett.	* Lucius H. Scott.
1862	do.	do.	do.
1863	* David C. Skerrett.	* Lucius H. Scott.	* John L. Goddard.
1864	do.	do.	do.
1865	* Lucius H. Scott.	* John L. Goddard.	* Richard Vaux.
1866	do.	do.	do.
1867	* John L. Goddard. <sup>5</sup>	* Richard Vaux.	* Robert A. Lamberton.
1868	* Richard Vaux.	* Robert A. Lamberton.	* Samuel C. Perkins.
1869	do.	do.	do.
1870	* Robert A. Lamberton.	* Samuel C. Perkins.	* Alfred R. Potter.
1871	do.	do.	do.
1872	* Samuel C. Perkins.	* Alfred R. Potter.	* Robert Clark.
1873	do.	do.	do.
1874	* Alfred R. Potter.	* Robert Clark.	* James Madison Porter.
1875	do.	do.	do.
1876	* Robert Clark.	* James Madison Porter.	* Michael Nisbet.
1877	do.	do.	do.
1878	* James Madison Porter.	* Michael Nisbet.	Samuel B. Dick.
1879	* Michael Nisbet.	Samuel B. Dick.	* Conrad B. Day.
1880	do.	do.	do.
1881	Samuel B. Dick.	* Conrad B. Day.	* E. Coppée Mitchell.
1882	do.	do.	do.
1883	* Conrad B. Day.	* E. Coppée Mitchell.	* Joseph Eichbaum.
1884	do.	do.	do.
1885	* E. Coppée Mitchell.	* Joseph Eichbaum.	* Clifford P. MacCalla.
1886	do.	do.	do.
1887	* Joseph Eichbaum.	* Clifford P. MacCalla.	* J. Simpson Africa.
1888	do.	do.	do.
1889	* Clifford P. MacCalla.	* J. Simpson Africa.	* Michael Arnold.
1890	do.	do.	do.
1891	* J. Simpson Africa.	* Michael Arnold.	Matthias H. Henderson.
1892	do.	do.	do.
1893	* Michael Arnold.	Matthias H. Henderson.	William J. Kelly.
1894	do.	do.	do.
1895	Matthias H. Henderson.	William J. Kelly.	* Henry W. Williams.
1896	do.	do.	do.
1897	William J. Kelly.	* Henry W. Williams.	* George E. Wagner.
1898	do.	do.	do.
1899	* Henry W. Williams. <sup>7</sup>	* George E. Wagner.	Edgar A. Tennis.
1900	* George E. Wagner.	Edgar A. Tennis.	James W. Brown.
1901	do.	do.	do.
1902	Edgar A. Tennis.	James W. Brown.	George W. Kendrick, Jr.
1903	do.	do.	do.
1904	James W. Brown.	George W. Kendrick, Jr.	George B. Orlady.
1905	do.	do.	do.

\* Deceased.

<sup>1</sup> Died, May, 1842. William H. Adams appointed, June 6.

<sup>2</sup> Died in office in January, 1851. Peter Williamson elected, March 3, 1851.

<sup>3</sup> Grand Master Mitchell died in office, April 8, 1858.

Junior Grand Warden.	Grand Treasurer.	Grand Secretary.	Year.
* John W. McGrath.	* Robinson R. Moore.	* Michael Nisbet.	1841
do.	* John Thomson.	do. <sup>1</sup>	1842
* Peter Fritz.	do.	* William H. Adams.	1843
* William Whitney.	do.	do.	1844
do.	do.	do.	1845
* Anthony Bournonville.	do.	do.	1846
do.	do.	do.	1847
* James Hutchinson.	do.	do.	1848
do.	do.	do.	1849
* Alexander Diamond.	do.	do.	1850
do. <sup>2</sup>	do.	do.	1851
* John K. Mitchell.	do.	do.	1852
do.	do.	do.	1853
* Henry M. Phillips.	* Thomas E. Baxter.	do.	1854
do.	do.	do.	1855
* John Thomson.	do.	do.	1856
do.	* James Shields.	do.	1857
* David C. Skerrett.	* Peter Williamson.	do.	1858
* Lucius H. Scott.	do.	do.	1859
do.	do.	do.	1860
* John L. Goddard.	do.	do.	1861
do.	do.	do.	1862
* Richard Vaux.	do.	do.	1863
do.	do.	do.	1864
* Robert A. Lamberton.	do.	do.	1865
do.	do.	do. <sup>4</sup>	1866
* Samuel C. Perkins.	do.	* John Thomson.	1867
* Alfred R. Potter.	do.	do.	1868
do.	do.	do.	1869
* Robert Clark.	do.	do.	1870
do.	do.	do.	1871
* James Madison Porter.	* Thomas Brown.	do.	1872
do.	do.	do.	1873
* Michael Nisbet.	Thomas R. Patton.	do.	1874
do.	do.	do.	1875
Samuel B. Dick.	do.	do.	1876
do.	do.	do.	1877
* Conrad B. Day.	do.	do.	1878
* E. Coppée Mitchell.	do.	do.	1879
do.	do.	do.	1880
* Joseph Eichbaum	do.	* Michael Nisbet.	1881
do.	do.	do.	1882
* Clifford P. MacCalla.	do.	do.	1883
do.	do.	do.	1884
* J. Simpson Africa.	do.	do.	1885
do.	do.	do.	1886
* Michael Arnold.	do.	do.	1887
do.	do.	do.	1888
Matthias H. Henderson.	do.	do.	1889
do.	do.	do.	1890
William J. Kelly.	do.	do.	1891
do.	do.	do.	1892
* Henry W. Williams.	do.	do.	1893
do.	do.	do.	1894
* George E. Wagner.	do.	do.	1895
do.	do.	do. <sup>6</sup>	1896
Edgar A. Tennis.	do.	William A. Sinn.	1897
do.	do.	do.	1898
James W. Brown.	do.	do.	1899
George W. Kendrick, Jr.	do.	do.	1900
do.	do.	do.	1901
George B. Orlady.	do.	do.	1902
do.	do.	do.	1903
* Charles M. Swain. <sup>8</sup>	do.	do.	1904
George W. Guthrie.	do.	do.	1905

<sup>4</sup> Died, February 11, 1866. John Thomson appointed.

<sup>5</sup> Grand Master Goddard died in office, July 17, 1867.

<sup>6</sup> Died, May 7, 1896. William A. Sinn appointed, May 15, 1896.

<sup>7</sup> Grand Master Williams died in office, January 25, 1899.

<sup>8</sup> Died in office, July 23, 1904.





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TO THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF PENNSYLVANIA:

THE COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE,—Brother LEE S. SMITH, of Franklin Lodge, No. 221; Brother OWEN M. COPELIN, of Robert Burns Lodge, No. 464; Brother WILLIAM N. SEIBERT, of Adams Lodge, No. 319; and Brother MURDOCH KENDRICK, of University Lodge, No. 610,—presents its annual report for the year A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904, by its Chairman, Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON, of Perseverance Lodge, No. 21, who has, as usual, prepared the same.

In reviewing the various Proceedings, we are again impressed with the great numbers of new Brethren admitted to the Fraternity. We can only hope that none but good men and true were accepted.

We call the attention of the Brethren to the list of clandestine Lodges, which is given at pages 466, 467, and 468.

Perhaps the most important event of the Masonic year was the publication of “A Concise History of Freemasonry,” by Brother ROBERT FREKE GOULD, of England, in one volume, at a very reasonable price. The book has been published in England and in this country, and we regret that the American



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edition is padded, so to speak, with wood-cuts, most of which are of little value.

The two English literary Lodges, Quatuor Coronati, No. 2076, of London (of which Brother GOULD was a founder, and Brother GEORGE P. RUPP, Librarian, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, is the local Secretary for Pennsylvania), and The Lodge of Research, No. 2429, of Leicester (of which Brother JOHN P. THORP, 57, Regent Road, Leicester, is the Secretary), have continued their valuable work. Both of these Lodges have Correspondence Circles, membership in which is open to Masons all over the world, and the annual subscription—10s. 6*d.* in the former, and 5s. in the latter—is more than repaid by the printed transactions which are sent to the members.

Nothing has been received from Arkansas, which held its biennial Communication in November.

Sixty-six Proceedings of Jurisdictions have been received and reviewed, as follows:

ALABAMA . . . . .	1903	IDAHO . . . . .	1904
ARIZONA . . . . .	1903	ILLINOIS . . . . .	1904
BRITISH COLUMBIA . . . . .	1904	INDIAN TERRITORY . . . . .	1904
CALIFORNIA . . . . .	1903	INDIANA . . . . .	1904
CANADA . . . . .	1904	IOWA . . . . .	1904
COLORADO . . . . .	1904	IRELAND . . . . .	1902-1903
CONNECTICUT . . . . .	1904	KANSAS . . . . .	1904
COSTA RICA . . . . .	1904	KENTUCKY . . . . .	1904
CUBA . . . . .	1904	LOUISIANA . . . . .	1904
DELAWARE . . . . .	1904	MAINE . . . . .	1904
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA . . . . .	1903	MANITOBA . . . . .	1904
ENGLAND . . . . .	1904	MARYLAND . . . . .	1903
FLORIDA . . . . .	1904	MASSACHUSETTS . . . . .	1904
GEORGIA . . . . .	1903	MICHIGAN . . . . .	1904

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MINNESOTA . . . . .	1904	PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	1904
MISSISSIPPI . . . . .	1904	QUEBEC . . . . .	1904
MISSOURI . . . . .	1904	RHODE ISLAND . . . . .	1904
MONTANA . . . . .	1903	SCOTLAND . . . . .	1904
NEBRASKA . . . . .	1904	SOUTH AUSTRALIA . . . . .	1904
NEVADA . . . . .	1904	SOUTH CAROLINA . . . . .	1903
NEW BRUNSWICK . . . . .	1903	SOUTH DAKOTA . . . . .	1904
NEW HAMPSHIRE . . . . .	1904	TENNESSEE . . . . .	1904
NEW JERSEY . . . . .	1904	TEXAS . . . . .	1903
NEW MEXICO . . . . .	1903	UTAH . . . . .	1904
NEW SOUTH WALES . . . . .	1904	VERMONT . . . . .	1904
NEW YORK . . . . .	1904	VICTORIA . . . . .	1903
NEW ZEALAND . . . . .	1904	VIRGINIA . . . . .	1903
NORTH CAROLINA . . . . .	1904	WASHINGTON . . . . .	1904
NORTH DAKOTA . . . . .	1904	WEST VIRGINIA . . . . .	1903
NOVA SCOTIA . . . . .	1903	WESTERN AUSTRALIA . . . . .	1904
OHIO . . . . .	1904	WISCONSIN . . . . .	1904
OKLAHOMA . . . . .	1904	WYOMING . . . . .	1904
OREGON . . . . .	1904		

## ALABAMA—1903.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Alabama and its Masonic Jurisdiction began its Eighty-third Annual Grand Communication at the Masonic Temple, in the City of Montgomery, on Tuesday, December 1, A.D. 1903, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother ROBERT J. REDDEN, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master is a practical paper. His decisions, with one exception, were approved. In his list of "Our Fraternal Dead in other Grand Jurisdictions," are given the names of Past Grand Masters PERKINS and ARNOLD, and by some curious mistake we find that of "M. W. Brother Edgar A. Tennis, Past Grand Master of Masons of Pennsylvania, who died at his home in Philadelphia, April 24th, 1903." This will be a surprise to Brother TENNIS and to his Brethren, as that Brother is very much alive.

The Grand Master announced the defeat of the amendment increasing the dues from fifty cents to one dollar and fifty cents, the additional dollar to be applied to the building of a Masonic Home. The Grand Master is hopeful that some plan will yet be devised whereby such a Home may be provided in Alabama.

A Lodge conferred the first and second degrees upon a man with a cork leg, "not knowing that they were violating the constitution, until their attention was called to it by a member of another Lodge." Application was then made to the Grand Master as to what should be done in regard to advancing the applicant to the third degree, and that Most Worshipful Brother notified the Master to proceed no further. An application having been made for a dispensation to confer the degree, the Grand Master refused, but referred the matter to Grand Lodge, recommending that the per-



mission be given with a most distinct and emphatic declaration that this was not to be a precedent. We are glad to see that the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence did not concur, and their report was adopted by Grand Lodge.

In honor of Brother ISAAC C. HALL, of Coosa Lodge, No. 202, who had been a member of and attended the Grand Lodge at each session since 1852, complimentary resolutions were adopted, and twenty-five dollars were appropriated to purchase a jewel to be presented to that worthy Brother on behalf of the Grand Lodge. The Brother, in affecting terms, thanked the Brethren for the honor conferred. It is very pleasant to see fidelity recognized and appreciated.

Appropriate action was taken upon the deaths of Past Grand Master Brother HENRY HART BROWN and Brother JAMES E. COBB, and Memorial Services were held in their memory, and in memory of all the Brethren who had died in the Jurisdiction during the year.

Costa Rica was recognized.

The monument to the memory of the late State Grand Lecturer, Brother JAMES M. BRUNDIDGE, took the form of a beautiful marble bust, which has been placed in the Library Hall of the Masonic Temple.

Number of Lodges, including sixteen new and eleven under dispensation, 411; initiated, 1353; total membership, 14,340, a gain of 846; "Number of ministers," 885. Receipts, including balance, were \$12,965.95; disbursements, \$7765.59; balance, \$5200.36.

The Grand Lodge voted to seek membership in the Correspondence Circle of Quatuor Coronati Lodge, No. 2076, London. We are sure that the Transactions, "Ars Quatuor Coronatorum," will be of great interest to the Brethren of Alabama.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman, Brother WILLIAM YATES TITCOMB, and, like its five predecessors, is full and interesting. We are impressed again, as we were last year, with our Brother's

courtesy. We find our Brother's views have not changed in any material respect, and those views he well maintains.

Referring to the criticism made by the Grand Master of Illinois of our regulation in Pennsylvania as to Masonic burials, Brother TITCOMB says,—

“In our humble opinion the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania should so modify that regulation as to except from its application such instances as the one just referred to, as well as cases of critical illness. Such is the impression on our mind as the matter presents itself.”

We venture to think that the “impression” on our Brother's mind may be changed if he will turn to our report of last year (pp. lix–lxi), and read what we said there.

Our Brother is with us when he says, “It would be desirable to omit publication, in the printed proceedings, of details exhibiting gross immorality, not only in Texas, but also in Alabama, and elsewhere.”

Replying to our Brother's question, “Is it counsels instead of counsellors, in the old saying, ‘In a multitude of Counsellors there is wisdom’?” we may refer him to Proverbs xi. 14: “In the multitude of counsellors there is safety.”

Pennsylvania for 1902 is reviewed, the volume being regarded as “a model piece of typography.” Referring to Brother Grand Treasurer PATTON's generosity in increasing the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund to one hundred thousand dollars, Brother TITCOMB says,—

“Avon's Bard spoke of ‘Sermons in Stones,’ but there are most impressive and far-reaching sermons in such noble deeds as those done by Brother Patton.”

Referring to our Washington Sesqui-centennial Celebration, our Brother says,—



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“November 5, 1902, a Special Communication was held for the purpose of celebrating the 150th anniversary of the initiation of George Washington into a Masonic Lodge. Preparations commensurate with the occasion had been made, and invitations had been sent to all the Grand Masters, Deputy Grand Masters, Grand Secretaries and Chairmen of Committees on Correspondence, with whose Grand Lodges fraternal relations are held. In the conclusion of his report on Correspondence, Brother Lamberton, Chairman of the Correspondence Committee, regrets that he did not have the pleasure of welcoming more of his Brethren of the Reportorial Corps. No replies to said invitations were received from 19 Grand Masters, 28 Deputy Grand Masters; 21 Grand Secretaries and 20 Chairmen of Correspondence. Our Brother charitably attributes this failure to miscarriage of the mails. For our own part, we promptly sent our regrets to Grand Master E. A. Tennis.

“On that occasion Brother Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States, and several other distinguished Brethren, delivered appropriate addresses. The occasion was inspiring.”

Grand Master TENNIS's annual address is “an admirable exhibit of the affairs of the Grand Lodge, and is replete with wise suggestions as well as good Masonic counsel;” and his edict with regard to the termination of Lodge meetings and banquets before the midnight hour was “a most salutary decree. Seasonable hours conduce materially to the welfare of the Craft. The Grand Master's utterances on this subject are pertinent and forcible.”

Our report on Correspondence receives complimentary review, and we thank our Brother for his kind words.

Our Brother explains his reference to the symbols on the tower of our Temple in Philadelphia: “The unequal height of the three pinnacles surmounting the tower (the fourth



not being in sight) presented an undoubted symbolism of degrees, etc.”

Our Brother is not so far out of the way, for while there are *four* pinnacles, one is much higher than the other three, and in this we, too, can see “symbolism.”

A “note” is added:

“Our grateful thanks are hereby returned to M. W. Edgar A. Tennis, for the magnificent Memorial Volume of proceedings at the Geo. Washington Sesqui-Centennial.”

Most Worshipful Brother ROBERT J. REDDEN, of Sulligent, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother GEORGE A. BEAUCHAMP, of Montgomery, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### ARIZONA—1903.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Territory of Arizona began its Twenty-second Annual Communication at the Masonic Hall, in the City of Phoenix on Tuesday, November 10, A.D. 1903, and closed two days later.

Most Worshipful Brother FRANCIS MARION ZUCK, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master shows him to have been a very faithful and efficient officer. He reported the death of Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. CHEYNEY and Past Deputy Grand Master Brother JOHN Y. T. SMITH.

In extending his thanks for courtesies, the Grand Master says,—

“I am also indebted to the M. · W. · Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for an invitation to its Sesqui-Centennial Anniver-

sary of the Initiation of the Nation's beloved George Washington; followed later by a beautiful souvenir edition of their Proceedings."

One of his decisions, that a Lodge should not officiate in the services of laying the corner-stones of buildings on Sunday, was not approved by the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, whose report received the approval of Grand Lodge, which we regret, as Sunday is a day of rest from work, from Masonic as well as other work. The reason given by the Committee was, "We believe that by so doing we exercise an influence for good." Laying a corner-stone on Sunday is hardly a work of mercy or of charity, certainly not of necessity. There are actions which "exercise an influence for good" which may well be postponed to the six week-days.

Costa Rica and Egypt were recognized, and the case of Brazil was referred to the new Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

The testimonial ordered last year for the retiring Grand Treasurer, Brother MARTIN W. KALES, took the form of two solid silver compotiers.

A Past Grand Master's jewel was presented to Brother ZUCK, whose portrait forms the frontispiece.

Number of Lodges, including two under dispensation, 19; initiated, 109; total membership, 1123, a gain of 100. Receipts, including balance, were \$4690.92; disbursements, \$1824.17; balance, \$2866.75.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, or of the Committee on Correspondence, as the Chairman prefers to call it, and in this preference we agree, is the third by the Chairman, Brother CHARLES D. BELDEN, who, we learn from this report, had six years of experience in this kind of work in connection with the Grand Commandery. Arizona is fortunate in having a Brother who is so well equipped for his work. This report, like its predecessors, is



interesting and informing, our Brother's comments being timely and well put.

Under Connecticut, he says,—

“ The Grand Master attended the Sesqui-Centennial celebration by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania of the anniversary of the initiation of George Washington, and was handsomely entertained. He says that the assembling of Representatives from so many Jurisdictions suggested to many the thought that a Supreme or Sovereign Body composed of Delegates from each Grand Jurisdiction would be the means of great good, and must in time take place.

“ This thought is rife at all times, and must eventually be carried out. At present the subject is less suggestive of that old political firebrand, State sovereignty, than it has been formerly, and that, perhaps, was the only insurmountable obstacle.”

We are very strongly inclined to the belief that it will be a very long time before there will be a National Grand Lodge in these United States.

The words used by our Brother under Illinois, “ Naturally before this could be accomplished” (*i.e.*, a request for Masonic burial made through the Grand Masters of the respective Jurisdictions), leads us to suggest that our Brother refer to what we had occasion to say in our last report (pp. lx and lxi) on this subject, when he will see that there was ample time to “ accomplish” what was desired, and the undeserved “ scathing” letter need not have been written.

We confess to some amusement at our Brother's account, under Massachusetts, of Brother NICKERSON's “ authentic statement in defense of the contention that Freemasonry was first duly and authoritatively established on this continent in Massachusetts, in the City of Boston.” We trust that we may have, to some extent at least, “ controverted its conclusions” in our report last year at pages ci to cvi, and



he may be interested in Brother DEWOLF SMITH's remarks on the statement, which we quote, under British Columbia, in this report.

Under Minnesota, after quoting a decision,—

“ 3. *Question*.—Can a petition for the degrees be received before the candidate is 21 years old?

“ *Answer*.—No. He must be of full age before he signs the petition,”—

Brother BELDEN adds, and we agree,—

“ If their law specifically states that he must, the decision is right; otherwise I cannot agree. The M. . W. . Grand Master of Pennsylvania decided at about the same time that a candidate could receive the degrees on the day he was twenty-one. That is my opinion, and seems to me to agree with the landmarks and tradition. It seems reasonable that all preparatory acts can well be arranged with a view to their culmination at the proper time.”

Pennsylvania for 1902 is well reviewed. Brother BELDEN says, “ This volume is about the only one issued in the United States which does not give the number of the Annual Communication,” and then asks, “ Why this feminine trait, this unwillingness to state their age?” We can only reply that no Grand Secretary seems to have thought of numbering our Annual Grand Communications; we can hardly be said to have tried to conceal our age, as witness the celebration in 1888 of the Sesqui-centennial Anniversary of the formation of our Grand Lodge.

Referring to our Washington Sesqui-centennial, our Brother says,—

“ The most notable event of the year was the Special Communication held at Philadelphia, November 5, 1902, in com-

memoration of the One Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary of the initiation of Bro. George Washington into Freemasonry. The list of the distinguished attendants was long, covering several pages, among whom I notice M. . . W. . . Bro. Benjamin Titus, Past Grand Master of Arizona. The report of the exercises is issued in a separate volume for private distribution. From all accounts I glean that the function exceeded all of which we have any written account in the annals of Freemasonry in the United States."

After making a number of quotations from Grand Master TENNIS's address, Brother BELDEN adds, "I very much admire the closing sentences of this wholly admirable Address," which he then quotes.

Our report is said to be "a thorough review of pleasing and instructive tone." Brother BELDEN continues:

"I have referred heretofore to the persistence shown by Pennsylvania Masons in their strict observance of the literal law of the Landmarks and Old Charges. I believe, as was resolved in New York, we should honor and respect those ancient principles as fundamental, and we should also give due deference to the laws of the several as applicable to those Jurisdictions respectively. We, of course, may not adopt them, but we surely should not complain if they do not adopt our regulations, especially when not in precise accord with the Ancient Regulations."

After mentioning the regret which this writer had expressed, that he did not have the pleasure of welcoming more of his Brethren of the Reportorial Corps at our Washington celebration, our Brother adds:

"I desire here to acknowledge receipt of the invitation and regret that I omitted to send reply, but was under the impression that such a thing from such an insignificant



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a source would only add to the care of the Committee unnecessarily. I sincerely thank Bro. Lamberton for the courtesy and implore pardon for my own discourteous, although unintentional omission."

The more we see of our Brother's work, the greater is our regret that he did not accompany his Grand Master to Philadelphia.

Most Worshipful Brother JAMES SOMMERVILLE CROMB, of Clifton, Grand Master; Very Worshipful Brother GEORGE J. ROSKRUGE, of Tucson, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## BRITISH COLUMBIA—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Province of British Columbia began its Thirty-third Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, Rossland, on Thursday, June 23, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Reverend Brother C. ENSOR SHARP, Grand Master.

The Address of the Grand Master is a well-prepared and practical paper. Record is made of the death of our Past Grand Masters PERKINS and DAY, and brotherly sympathy is expressed. The Grand Master reported his inability to obtain any reply from the Grand Secretary of Scotland to a courteous letter regarding a resident of British Columbia who went to Scotland for a three months' visit, and returned with the degree of a Master Mason. In such a case in this Jurisdiction, in 1901, an edict was issued forbidding Masonic intercourse with such a person. We will not recognize any one as a Mason who, while a resident of this Jurisdiction, is made a Mason elsewhere, unless inquiry is first made of us whether a Masonic objection exists.

A report by the Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful



Brother W. J. BOWSER, of his visitations, with some excellent suggestions, is given, as are the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters.

Grand Lodge lost through death Most Worshipful Brother ALEXANDER R. MILNE, C.M.G., who was Grand Master in 1887 and 1888, and Grand Tyler HOSKER, Special Communications having been held for the purpose of attending their funerals.

In line with a suggestion of the Deputy Grand Master, portraits of Past Grand Masters BURNABY and POWELL are given at the beginning of the Proceedings.

The report of the Grand Historian, Right Worshipful Brother W. A. DEWOLF SMITH, shows progress both in the line of his special work and in the increase of the Library.

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 36; initiated, 230; total membership, 2624, a gain of 151. Receipts, including balance, \$7685.56; disbursements, \$4609.71; balance, \$3075.85. The disbursement of the Charity Fund was \$75; the Fund amounts to \$11,589.52.

The address of the Grand Chaplain, Very Worshipful Brother H. G. FIENNES-CLINTON, before the Grand Lodge, is given in full. It would seem that there are not many Hebrew Brethren in the Jurisdiction.

The report on Correspondence is, as usual, by the Chairman, Right Worshipful Brother W. A. DEWOLF SMITH, whose work needs no commendation. The report is scholarly, and our Brother's views are well sustained. He calls attention to some interesting facts in speaking of "Landmarks." We are surprised to see that it is stated that "happily" there is no "standard" work in British Columbia! We are pleased to see that our Brother does not approve of the use of robes and the stereopticon, or of laying corner-stones on Sunday.

Under Indiana, we quote:

"A certain Brother having moved that the references to the work contained in the Grand Master's Address be omitted

from the printed Proceedings, the Grand Master left the Chair in order to move an amendment. This strikes us as a very extraordinary procedure. It surely is an unusual sight to see a Grand Master, who is the head of the Craft in his Jurisdiction, sit in the body of the Lodge while his Deputy presides in his place. The fact of his being the presiding officer in no way interfered with his right to make a motion on any subject; it is constantly done in the Grand Lodge of England."

The following, under Massachusetts, will interest our Brethren:

"The Proceedings themselves contain nothing of interest except a further contribution to the discussion of the question whether Masonry in America was started in Massachusetts or Pennsylvania. This is an interesting address by R. W. Brother Sereno N. Nickerson, Grand Secretary, which goes over the ground already covered in some of his former papers, but which does not, so far as we can see, contain anything new. Great stress is laid upon the fact that 'The archives of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts contain the earliest Masonic Records now known to be in existence on this continent: those of the Provincial Grand Lodge organized by Henry Price in 1733, generally known as St. John's Grand Lodge (Moderns), and those of the Massachusetts Provincial Grand Lodge, organized by Joseph Warren in 1769 (Ancients),' and due weight is given to the fact that Price constituted a Lodge in Boston in 1733, while Franklin wrote from Philadelphia in 1734 requesting Price to grant the Lodge there a 'deputation' or charter, confirming the Brethren in the privileges they at that time enjoyed. We have not the time to go into this matter at length, but it certainly seems to us that from Brother Nickerson's own showing, Pennsylvania has much the best of the argument. To begin with, it is stated by good authority that



the records of the Provincial Grand Lodge, upon which Brother Nickerson places such reliance, are not contemporaneous records until the year 1751, the statements of what occurred from that time up to 1751 having been written in probably about the date last mentioned. On the other hand, we do not think that Brother Nickerson, nor any one else, questions the authenticity of 'Liber B,' the ledger in which the Secretary of a Lodge in Philadelphia kept his accounts with the members. This, which is certainly entitled to the rank of 'records,' goes back to 1731, and the presumption is that there was, or is, another book, 'Liber A,' which would carry us further back yet. Brother Nickerson, while admitting the existence of a Lodge in Philadelphia in 1731, claims that it was not a regularly constituted Lodge, and that the Brethren had no authority to meet as a Lodge until they were constituted as requested in Franklin's letters to Price written in November, 1734. These letters, however, do not cast any doubts on the regularity of the Lodge of which Franklin was a member, nor does Franklin appear to have regarded his authority as inferior to that which Price exercised under his first deputation, for he signs himself 'G. M.,' and expressly stipulates that the Grand Master of Pennsylvania shall give up his chair only to the Grand Master of all America, and although it was rumored that Price had a deputation appointing him Grand Master of all America there is no evidence that such authority was ever granted. Brother Nickerson denies the regularity of the Lodge meeting in Philadelphia in 1731, forgetting, or 'ignoring entirely,' to use his own words, 'the difference in the conditions prevailing in 1734 and 1874.' Brother Nickerson is perfectly well aware that in 1731 the Grand Lodge system was only on its trial. The Grand Lodge of England was formed only in 1717 and that of Ireland in 1726 at the earliest. There was at that time no Grand Lodge in Scotland, and there is no reason to suppose that the Lodges in that country were regarded as irregular because they were not



formed under the authority of a 'Warrant from the Grand Master.' Neither is there anything to lead us to believe that the Lodges in England which retained their independence even after 1734 were regarded as irregular, for when they did make up their minds to join the Grand Lodge there were no obstacles placed in their way, but they were taken in without, so far as we know, any formalities whatever. It is perfectly natural then to suppose that the Lodge in Philadelphia was formed by Brethren who were aware of the custom which had prevailed up to that time, and who not only did not believe that they were doing anything wrong, or exceeding their rights in any way, but who proceeded to form their Lodge in the manner in which all the Lodges of which they had any knowledge had been formed."

Pennsylvania for 1903 receives full review. Grand Master TENNIS's address is spoken of as "most instructive," and quotations are made from it at length. Our Brother also quotes a number of decisions, upon which he comments in an interesting manner. He tells us that Texas alone agrees with us in not permitting a Lodge in our Jurisdiction to confer the degrees upon a petitioner from another Jurisdiction, and quotes this writer's views on that subject.

Our report is very kindly spoken of, and Brother DE-WOLF SMITH agrees with our interpretation of the words "descended of honest parents." After quoting from our Ahiman Rezon,—

"Art. IX, Sec. 17. On all questions before the Grand Lodge, when a vote by Lodges is requested by the Representatives of five Lodges, and in the election of Grand Officers, each Representative shall be entitled to cast one vote for each member of his Lodge who is a member of the Grand Lodge, and who is not present,"—

our Brother says,—

“We cannot think that this means what it says. It appears to us that according to this Section, if three representatives of a Lodge attended Grand Lodge and there were ten members of the Lodge who were members of Grand Lodge but did not attend, each of the three representatives would be entitled to cast one vote for each of the ten members who were not present.”

We may say that “this means what it says,” and our Brother’s doubt will probably be removed when he learns that each Lodge in this Jurisdiction elects the Master, or a Past Master, usually the latter, as its *Representative* (with a capital R), and he is the only one who casts the votes of the absent members of his Lodge who are members of the Grand Lodge.

Our Brother shares in our surprise at the reception given by the Grand Lodge of Mississippi to the “Imperial Potentate” A.A.O.N.M.S.

In reply to our request for further information as to the “claim made in Pennsylvania,” that “England abolished the Grand Representative system, following the lead of Pennsylvania,” our Brother refers us to the statement of Past Grand Master ARNOLD in the report of our Committee on Correspondence for 1896, where he says (page 90), referring to his visit to the Grand Lodge of England, September 2, 1896, “While there he was informed by the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of England, Brother Edward Letchworth, that the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of England has discontinued the practice of appointing Grand Representatives, following the example of the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.”

A courteous inquiry addressed to Grand Secretary LETCHWORTH some weeks ago, on this subject, has not yet been answered.

For our Brother’s information, we may say that in Pennsylvania the Lodges have the power to expel.



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We wish Grand Secretary BRETT would give the first names of the officers of the Grand Lodge, and not merely the initials.

Most Worshipful Brother W. J. BOWSER, K. C., of Vancouver, Grand Master; Very Worshipful Brother ROBERT E. BRETT, of Victoria, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## CALIFORNIA—1903.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Jurisdiction of California began its Fifty-fourth Annual Communication at the Masonic Temple, in the City of San Francisco, on Tuesday, October 13, A.D. 1903, and closed four days later.

Most Worshipful Brother ORRIN STAPLES HENDERSON, Grand Master.

The Annual Address of the Grand Master is quite long, and in poetic quotations is up to the Iowa standard; it shows a zealous and faithful officer, fruitful in suggestions looking to the advancement of the Craft.

The Grand Master announced the death of Past Grand Master Brother EDWARD M. PRESTON and of Past Grand Treasurer Brother NATHAN W. SPAULDING. Later in the session a Memorial Service was held, and tributes were paid to the memories of these Brethren. In enumerating the dead of Sister Jurisdictions, Past Grand Master ARNOLD's death is recorded, the Grand Master saying, "He was a pillar of strength." The Grand Master says some wise words against the hasty and ill-considered recommending of applicants by Brethren, and dwells at some length upon our "Duties and Responsibilities."

The thirteenth report of Grand Secretary JOHNSON is a full one, as usual. He mentions that "a photograph of each of the painted portraits of the Past Grand Officers in the gallery of the Grand Lodge has been taken and placed



in a fire-proof safe as directed." This is a good example to follow.

Number of Lodges, including eight chartered at this Annual Communication, 284; initiated, 2571; total membership, 27,078, a gain of 2343. Receipts, including balance, were \$42,937.16, all of which was disbursed. We note that the cash receipts of the year amounted to \$33,763.90, the disbursements to \$13,642.41, there being a balance of \$20,121.49.

The Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home now shelters 109 inmates,—45 men, 20 women, 25 boys, and 19 girls. A generous gift to the Home was presented in the "Siminoff Temple," a sixteen-room cottage with a Lodge-room and assembly hall, erected of brick and stone on the grounds of the Home at Decoto, at a cost of over \$30,000, which was donated by Brother MORRIS SIMINOFF, and was dedicated on the afternoon of the second day. The generous donor was presented to Grand Lodge by a committee of three Past Grand Masters, and conducted to a seat in the Grand East, the Grand Lodge having placed upon its records suitable expression of appreciation and thanks.

The receipts of the Masonic Home were \$57,060.87; the disbursements, \$30,929.30. Ten thousand four hundred and fifty dollars was appropriated for the Boards of Relief of San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Hereafter a half-tone portrait of the Grand Master is to be given in the Proceedings, and this year that of the retiring Grand Master is given, to whom a silver service was presented as a testimonial, as the usual gift, a Past Grand Master's jewel, had been anticipated by the generous giver of the Siminoff Temple.

The annual oration was delivered by Brother EDWARD H. HART, his subject being "Liberty, Equality, Fraternity," and was of more than usual interest. We may note a slip of the pen in the date when Washington was made a Master Mason: August 1 should be August 4 (1753).

By an almost unanimous vote, a resolution disapproving of life membership in Subordinate Lodges was adopted.

The report on Correspondence is by the Committee, consisting of Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM A. DAVIES, and Brothers GEORGE W. BUSH, HORACE B. ALLEN, JOHN C. DOWNEY, AND WILLIAM H. WASTE.

Pennsylvania for 1902 is summarized. Referring to the generous addition by our Grand Treasurer PATTON to his former gift of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund, raising it to one hundred thousand dollars, the report says,—

“Well might Past Grand Master Michael Arnold exclaim, great and glorious is Brother Patton’s charity, noble in its conception, and wise in its establishment. This Grand Lodge will never cease to remember and celebrate the virtues of Brother Thomas R. Patton.”

After mentioning that Grand Master TENNIS “then delivered the Annual Address,” the report continues:

“The history of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania from the time of its organization one hundred and seventeen years ago, although the brethren assembled and elected William Allen their Grand Master in 1732, was an interesting factor in those stirring times.”

Just what “stirring times” are meant is not clear. On September 25, 1786, the Provincial Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania closed forever, and the same day the present Grand Lodge opened, entirely independent of the Grand Lodge of England.

Grand Master TENNIS’s decisions are “in accord with the Masonic law and usages of the Craft, and need no comment.”

Our report is soon disposed of; our Brethren of the Committee will be pleased to know:



“The Committee on Correspondence in this Jurisdiction is comprised of five brethren eminent for their scholastic attainments, of whom the Hon. Past Grand Master Michael Arnold is Chairman.”

Referring to our remark about the Annual Oration which we said “was long, was declared to be interesting and eloquent, and which we have not time to read, doubtless to our loss,” the report, quoting the last twelve words, asks, “Gentlemen of the Committee, what sort of a compliment do you call that?”

While we might reply that we do not think it necessary to bestow compliments upon every oration published in the various Proceedings, we may answer this question by quoting the words of the report, under Virginia:

“The report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted, and ordered published in the appendix.

“Good old Virginia never tires,”

and asking what sort of a compliment they call that.

Most Worshipful Brother CHARLES W. NUTTING, of Etna Mills, Grand Master; Very Worshipful Brother GEORGE JOHNSON, of San Francisco, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### CANADA—1904.

THE Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario began its Forty-ninth Annual Communication in the City of Brockville, on Wednesday, July 20, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN E. HARDING, K.C., Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master presents, in a dignified form, an interesting record of a year of faithful work, a



record year having been the lot of our Brethren. Dispensations for eight new Lodges were granted, five Masonic Halls were dedicated, and two corner-stones were laid.

The Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, Brother BENJAMIN ALLEN, gave a report of his visitations.

Number of Lodges, 381, of which four are continued under dispensation, a gain of 6; initiated, 3084; total membership, 32,708, a gain of 2223. Receipts, including balance, were \$44,093.61; disbursements, including \$12,905 for benevolence, were \$38,085.60; balance, \$6008.01. In addition, the Lodges gave in benevolence \$12,551. The funds of Grand Lodge amount to \$111,156.51.

The reports of the District Deputies are given in full, and make interesting reading.

A report from the Board of General Purposes states that their attention had been called to "the urgent need of an undress regalia for the use of the Grand Lodge officers at Craft ceremonies," and their recommendation that the Grand Secretary be empowered to procure a complete set of Masonic clothing from England for the purpose named, at a cost not to exceed \$200, was approved. Just how there should be such a need, urgent or otherwise, we are not able to say.

During the sessions, Most Worshipful Grand Master Brother JOHN B. TRESIDDER, and Most Worshipful Grand Secretary Brother WILL H. WHYTE, of Quebec, and Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM ROSS, of Nova Scotia, were honored visitors.

The Semi-Centennial Fund progresses slowly. A testimonial is to be given to the retiring Grand Master. A portrait of the new Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother BENJAMIN ALLEN, appropriately forms the frontispiece.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother HENRY ROBERTSON, K.C., who states that the number and importance of the extracts he has made have prevented any exten-

sive comments upon the various interesting matters happening in the proceedings of other Grand Lodges, without encroaching upon the limited space at his disposal. The Brethren will be interested in these extracts, which vary in length, and in the supplemental matter supplied by Brother ROBERTSON. We are pleased to see that public installations are impossible in Canada, "because some of the esoteric work is used in the ceremony."

We judge from what is said, under New Jersey, that the Grand Master of Canada does not ever make a Mason at sight.

Pennsylvania for 1903 is reviewed, and several extracts are made from Grand Master TENNIS's valedictory. Our late Past Grand Master ARNOLD is mentioned as one of our "most prominent members for many years, a true man, and a true Mason." Brother ROBERTSON is right.

Less than three lines disposes of our report, which is kindly said to be "extensive and elaborate."

Most Worshipful Brother BENJAMIN ALLEN, of Toronto, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother HUGH MURRAY, of Hamilton, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## COLORADO—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Colorado began its Forty-fourth Annual Communication at Masonic Temple, in Denver, on Tuesday, September 20, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother JAMES R. KILLIAN, Grand Master.

New jewels and aprons, selected by the Custodians of the Work, were submitted by them, with a report, and the beautifully designed jewels and aprons were then presented to the different officers of the Grand Lodge, and the Grand Master,



on behalf of the Grand Lodge, expressed their appreciation of the services of the Custodians in selecting the same.

In his annual address, after an eloquent opening, the Grand Master gives a full and very detailed account of his acts. It was a busy and prosperous year. The death of the Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, Brother GEORGE T. COOPER, on June 20, 1904, was greatly regretted. Death claimed also during the year the Grand Chaplain, Right Worshipful Brother ANDREW ARMSTRONG. Portraits of these Brethren are given, that of the Grand Chaplain having been accorded the precedence of that of the Deputy Grand Master. The portrait of the new Grand Master most appropriately forms the frontispiece, and we have also the portrait of the late Past Grand Master QUILLIAN, who died December 8, 1892.

The Grand Master reported his visit to the Grand Lodge of Kansas, at which the Grand Master of Missouri was also a visitor, there being thus three Masonic generations represented,—the Grand Lodge of Kansas being the offspring of the Grand Lodge of Missouri, and the Grand Lodge of Colorado being the offspring of the Grand Lodge of Kansas.

The Grand Master strongly backed the recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence in recommending the recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, which was adopted by Grand Lodge. We fear that we cannot agree with the Grand Master in thinking the Grand Lodge of England a safe guide in the matter of recognizing Grand Lodges.

Number of Lodges at work, including three new ones, 107; initiated, 681; total membership, 10,559, a gain of 493. Receipts, including balance, were \$29,951.13; disbursements, \$10,335.51; balance, \$19,615.62.

Grand Secretary TODD has finally, after much effort, succeeded in finding a portrait of their second Grand Master, Brother ALLYN B. WESTON, thus completing the list of Past Grand Masters.



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The oration by Brother JOHN KILLIAN was beautiful and interesting.

A Past Grand Master's jewel was presented to the retiring Grand Master, and it was unanimously voted that a committee be appointed to procure a suitable testimonial for the retiring Grand Secretary, Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM D. TODD.

The report on Correspondence is the twentieth, being the sixteenth in consecutive order by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother LAWRENCE N. GREENLEAF; his first was written in 1870, followed by others in 1878, 1882, and 1885, and consecutively from 1889.

In his conclusion, after speaking of his recommendation of the recognition of the Valle de Mexico, he states that he is not prepared to recommend Costa Rica. With regard to Queensland, he tells us that Colorado is in fraternal relations with the District Grand Lodge of England in that Jurisdiction, which strikes us as somewhat odd, as we supposed that a *Sovereign* Grand Lodge would hold fraternal relations only with other *Sovereign* Grand Lodges.

Brother GREENLEAF is, with us, opposed to conferring Past Grand rank, that is, of course, in this country. He explains that what are the "Private Grand Honors" in Illinois are the salutations in the installation ceremonies.

Under Nebraska, we agree with him:

"A Mason who is clear on the books is entitled to a dimit, and this method of ticketing him from one Lodge to another is an unwarranted restriction upon his rights and one of the modern frills that has been tacked on to Freemasonry."

We think the following, under Oregon, will interest some of our Brethren:

"With respect to the possession of the degrees of our Ancient Craft by the Scottish Rite legitimately, as asserted by

our good Brother [Hodson], we are not yet prepared to assent. The arguments of Brothers Jenks and Robbins and those of Brother Gould, and, in fact, of all who understand 'the true inwardness of the situation,' must of necessity be 'sound.' It may be well, perhaps, to modify them, in view of the fact that we can not change existing conditions in the Latin countries, where the Scottish Rite is dominant. By the formation of Grand Lodges which are independent of the control of Supreme Councils, a great advance is made. We recognize this fact; and, while there may be questions of origin, paternity, etc., involved, these may become secondary in the contemplation of the good results to be achieved. The literature upon the subject of the right of Supreme Councils to create Symbolic Lodges is so voluminous that our space will not permit of any extended discussion at this time. We wish to call attention to the fact, too often lost sight of, that the twenty-five degrees of the Rite of Perfection, afterwards amplified to thirty-three, were first conferred under the joint authority of the Grand Lodge of France and the Sovereign Council of Emperors of the East and West sitting at Paris. Thus in 1761 it was recognized that in order to establish the Rite of Perfection, there must be a twofold authority, the first emanating from a governing power of the Symbolic Degrees and the second from one having control over what were called the Sublime Degrees. This is evidenced from the authority given Morin in 1761. This was admitted by Brother Albert Pike in his letter to the Supreme Council of Peru in 1877 as to its relinquishing control over Symbolic Masonry. We quote his language, as follows:

“ ‘The authority given to Etienne Morin in 1761 was given jointly by the Grand Lodge of Symbolic Masonry of France and the Grand Council of the Sublime Degrees, then united with it; and if he established Symbolic Lodges anywhere, it could be fairly claimed that his power to do *that* (italics his) came from the Symbolic Grand Lodge alone.’



“The above coming from the late Supreme Grand Commander of the Supreme Council for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States should be sufficiently explicit. But we have further evidence of his views in a letter to a Brother in Buenos Ayres, written also in 1877, from which we quote his conclusion:

“ ‘The Grand Constitutions *make no provision for the government of Symbolic Lodges by the Supreme Councils.* (Italics his.) When they were enacted there were Grand Lodges everywhere; and it certainly was not supposed that the Grand Lodges of Prussia would surrender their powers of government to a Supreme Council. Until recently we believed that the Supreme Councils had the right to create and govern Symbolic Lodges from the beginning, and that where they did not exercise it they simply refrained for the sake of harmony; but, being called upon carefully to consider the question, we are of the clear opinion that, upon the face of the Grand Constitutions, these give no such power.’

“We think it is therefore plain that the power exercised by Supreme Councils over the Symbolic Degrees is an usurped one, and that Brother Hodson is in error when he says they are in possession of the degrees of the Ancient Craft in just as legitimate way as Grand Lodges.

“In many countries the Scottish Rite is in possession of the degrees *de facto* and this is the condition that confronts us. When Grand Lodges are formed, independent of the control of Supreme Councils, the question of recognition presents itself and, if granted, such Grand Bodies are thereby regularized or healed. We believe such recognition should be granted with great caution, and each case determined upon its own merits. We have waited patiently for years in the hope that some common ground of agreement would be reached whereby this question of recognition could be definitely settled.



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“Brothers Robbins and Jenks are firm and determined in their opposition to recognition in any form. We do not believe any good will result from the continuance of the bitter controversy, and, as stated above, we are prepared to modify our own views without any surrender of our opinions as to origin, etc., which, as will be seen, are in line with those of Masonic students generally.”

Pennsylvania for 1903 receives almost four pages of review. The address of Grand Master TENNIS “is clothed in eloquent and forcible language,” and quotations are made from it. The decision as to the letter “G” especially arouses our Brother. We wish very much that he would investigate and find out just how old that symbol is, or, rather, how comparatively recently it has been introduced. Our impression is that it goes back only to about 1770.

The inaugural of Grand Master BROWN was “a very able address.” In our report, which is kindly said to be “masterly,” that part relating to Colorado is treated of in a few lines.

Most Worshipful Brother BENJAMIN L. JAMES, of Denver, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother CHARLES H. JACOBSON, of Denver, Grand Secretary.

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## CONNECTICUT—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Connecticut, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, began its One Hundred and Sixteenth Annual Communication at Masonic Temple, in the City of Hartford, on Wednesday, January 20, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother LEON M. WOODFORD, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master, somewhat has-

tily put together, gives an account of his faithful stewardship during the year. He wishes that the terms “‘first, second and third’ degrees might be abolished, and the proper names given these degrees, namely, Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason.” He thinks that many of the “mistakes in voting” (just apropos of what mistakes, is not clear) are caused by using the ball ballot throughout, and recommends to the Lodges in that Jurisdiction “the use of white ball and black cube ballot.” If dispensations were always refused, perhaps that would cure the evil, and so many “mistakes” would not occur. His recommendation that “a sum not to exceed seventy-five dollars shall be imposed upon any lodge for funeral expenses,” is not clear to us.

He announced the death of Past Grand Masters QUINTARD (Grand Master, 1865–1866) and LEE (Grand Master, 1874–1875) and Past Grand Chaplain MAXEY, whose portraits we have, as well as that of the retiring Grand Master, to whom a Past Grand Master’s jewel and apron were given.

The Deputy Grand Master reported his visitations.

Number of Lodges, 110; initiated, 985; total membership, 19,047, a gain of 533; “exempted from lodge dues, being thirty years a Mason, 4829”! Receipts, including balance, were \$20,358.47; disbursements (including \$8617.75 to the Masonic Charity Foundation), \$12,670.79; balance, \$7687.68.

Grand Secretary BARLOW reports that the membership card registry has been completed. He acknowledges, in the additions to the Library, “the receipt from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania of an elegant copy of the Proceedings of the Washington Sesqui-centennial celebration of November, 1902, also a reprint of the early Proceedings of the Grand Lodge, eight volumes.”

A resolution was passed expressing the sympathy of the Grand Lodge with Past Grand Master STEVENS, in his absence through illness.



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The report on Masonic Correspondence is again from the practised hand of Most Worshipful Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary Brother JOHN H. BARLOW. He prefers the word "fraternity," as do we, but truly says "the word 'order' has also the sanction of ancient usage." We are glad to learn that, improving upon his predecessor's course, he has adopted a manuscript record of such matters as he thinks should not be published in the Proceedings. He disapproves of the Connecticut regulation which exempts from dues those who have been Masons for thirty years. He says that it is his experience that a Masonic Home cannot be supported by voluntary subscriptions; a tax is necessary. Under Oregon, he agrees with Brother HODSON in preferring "Grand Senior Warden" to "Senior Grand Warden;" we cannot agree with the preference of these good Brethren.

The Masonic Home, which is supported by the Masonic Charity Foundation of Connecticut, has sixty-two inmates, the cost of maintenance being \$0.44 per diem; if the superintendent and domestics are included, the cost of maintenance was \$0.377 per diem.

Pennsylvania for 1902 receives our Brother's fraternal review. After speaking of our Grand Treasurer PATTON's "noble gift," Brother BARLOW says,—

"A Special Communication was held November 5. This was to commemorate the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the initiation of Brother George Washington, and was an occasion long to be remembered. The writer had the honor of being one of the invited guests. Three hundred and forty-one of the lodges were represented. There were also representatives from most of the Grand Lodges of the United States. It was the largest assembly of representative Masons that it was ever our pleasure to behold, a complete account of which is published in a beautiful Memorial Volume. We express our sincere thanks for a copy received."



## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Two extracts are made from Grand Master TENNIS's address, and a dozen of his decisions are quoted, without comment.

Our Brother says he "judges" our report, which he speaks of as excellent, is from the pen of this writer (a fact which is stated distinctly), but he confuses the writer and his father in bestowing the title of Past Grand Master upon us. With the exception of two or three years after the death of Past Grand Master VAUX, the "piece of work," which Brother BARLOW says "is assigned to a special committee of five," has been done by one Brother, in order to secure unity in the report. Several extracts are made from our report.

Most Worshipful Brother GEORGE E. PARSONS, of Norwich, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother JOHN H. BARLOW, of Hartford, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## COSTA RICA—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient and Accepted Free-Masons for the Republic of Costa Rica held the usual Quarterly Communications at the Masonic Temple, San José, in February, May, August, and November, 1903, and the Annual Communication on January 29, and February 19, 1904.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN M. KEITH, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a brief account of the year, he having been absent on account of ill health for some months. The differences between the Grand Lodge and the Supreme Council of Central America were amicably adjusted.

The new Grand Master's portrait forms the frontispiece; a portrait, together with a sketch of his life, is also given of the late Brother JUAN FERNANDEZ FERRAZ, who was a most devoted member of the Craft.

Number of Lodges, 6; initiated, 25; total membership,

## CUBA.

189, a gain of 2. Receipts, including balance, were \$1363; disbursements, \$1249; balance, \$114.

Most Worshipful Brother GUSTAVO PRADILLO, of San José, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother EDMUND A. OSBORNE, of San José, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## CUBA—1904.

THE Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba held its usual Communications, which are fully reported, and printed, naturally, in Spanish. The address of the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother JOSÉ F. PELLÓN, and a Circular Letter upon the Grand Orient of France, are given in English. The former shows an able administrator, anxious to adhere to the Ancient Usages, Customs, and Landmarks of the Fraternity. He decided rightly that the son of a Mason could not be admitted to the Fraternity under the age of twenty-one.

On April 20, 1904, fraternal relations were suspended with the Grand Orient of France so long as it continues to regard it as unnecessary to require a belief in the existence of a Supreme Being before initiation into the Fraternity.

Number of Lodges, including eight new ones, 83; initiated, 467; total membership, 2452, a gain of 196.

We have the portrait of Brother AURELIO ALMEIDA, a very distinguished Cuban Brother.

A very cordial letter was received from Grand Secretary MIRANDA, written by direction of the Grand Master, after the death of our late Brother CHARLES M. SWAIN, Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden, expressing sympathy, and reminding us that "the Masons of Cuba cannot be indifferent to the misfortunes of their mother Grand Lodge."

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman, Brother FRANCISCO DE P. RODRIGUEZ, which appears to be prepared with great care and thoroughness. We regret that our knowledge of Spanish is so limited.



## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Pennsylvania for 1903 receives full attention, the address of Grand Master TENNIS being well summarized.

The Memorial Volume of our Washington celebration is described, and a full and detailed account of what took place at the celebration is given for the benefit of the Brethren. The addresses of the President and others received the cordial commendation of our Brother, whose good words are appreciated.

In referring to the appointment of this writer to the chairmanship of our Committee on Correspondence, Brother RODRIGUEZ is both kind and complimentary, and we thank him. He accepts our correction of the date of the first Lodge in Pennsylvania, and of our origin from England. We can quite understand why our Brother should have given our origin as from Massachusetts, for that was for a long time regarded as the fact, but later investigation has shown that the early "records" (so-called) of Massachusetts are not to be depended upon, and the "charter," it is safe to say, was never received by FRANKLIN. If our Brother is interested in this matter, we beg to refer him to our report for 1900, page clxxvii and clxxviii.

Most Worshipful Brother JOSÉ FERNANDEZ PELLÓN, of Cienfuegos, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother AURELIO MIRANDA, of Havana, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## DELAWARE—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Delaware began its Ninety-eighth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in Wilmington, on Wednesday, October 5, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother CHARLES H. MAULL, Grand Master.



DELAWARE.

A delegation from the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, headed by Grand Master WILKINS and including Past Grand Master EWAN, was present, and Brother EWAN, being called upon for a few remarks, entertained Grand Lodge, we are told, "in a very entertaining and instructive address," as we can well imagine.

Past Grand Master RILE announced the death of our Past Grand Master, Brother GEORGE E. WAGNER, and moved that a telegram of sympathy be sent to our Grand Lodge, which was at that time in session, being the day of Brother WAGNER's funeral, and that a committee be appointed to prepare suitable resolutions. The telegram will be found in the proceedings of our Communication of October 5, and the resolutions in those of the Communication of December 7.

Record is made that

"In due course, the following telegram from the Grand Master of Pennsylvania was received:

" ' CHARLES H. MAULL,

" ' M. W. Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Delaware,  
A. F. and A. M. Wilmington, Delaware.

" ' Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania accepts and appreciates the sentiments of sorrow and sympathy extended.

" ' JAMES W. BROWN,

" ' Grand Master.' "

Among the visitors present were ten from Pennsylvania, and we find the following in the proceedings of the second morning:

After pleasant and congratulatory speeches by Brother John D. Goff, of Chester Lodge, No. 36, R. W. District Deputy, 36th District of Pennsylvania and Brother Robert Wiltbank of Eastern Star Lodge, No. 186 of Pennsylvania, the M. W. Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment

at twelve o'clock and accompanied by visitors ascended to the banquet hall, where a pleasant hour was spent in regaling the inner man with a prime dinner, which had been prepared under the supervision of W. Grand Tyler, George K. Yates."

The annual address of the Grand Master is an interesting and business-like paper. We quote with strong approval the following from his conclusion:

"Brethren, the returns show that the increase in membership for the year has been large in numbers. Has it been equal in strength and influence? What we fancy to be strength may be in reality weakness, for our real strength lies not in numbers, but in our fidelity to the principles and teachings of Free Masonry, in the upbuilding and uplifting of individual character, and the uniting of those characters into a compact and harmonious society, having for its aim the advancement of everything that stands for more intelligent citizenship, more godly homes and better lives. The bringing into this society of imperfect material weakens its force, destroys its influence and nullifies its aims. The Masonic Lodge should by the character of its membership exert an influence for good in the community where it exists, and if it does not, we may be assured that its portals have not been securely guarded and its high standard of morality and righteousness has been lowered to the level of men yet in darkness. If this is true to any extent in your Lodge, I urge you to each use every effort to correct it and to help raise up the standard again to its proper place."

The Grand Master recorded the death of Past Grand Master Brother DANIEL McCLINTOCK, to whose illness we referred last year; appropriate resolutions were adopted. He also mentions the invitation of Grand Master TENNIS to attend our December Quarterly Communication, which we regret he was unable to accept. (We were fortunate enough



to have Brother MAULL's successor, Grand Master YOUNG, with us at the December Quarterly this (1904) year.) Grand Master MAULL had the satisfaction of constituting a new Lodge, Doric, No. 30, the last one having been constituted in 1876.

Number of Lodges, 22; initiated, 156; total membership, 2602, a gain of 98. Receipts, including balance, were \$3403.53; disbursements, \$1639.30; balance, \$1764.23.

The retiring Grand Master, Brother MAULL, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, received a Past Grand Master's jewel. The Delaware Brethren are making preparations to celebrate their centennial in a fitting manner.

The report on Correspondence is by the Chairman of the Committee, Right Worshipful Past Deputy Grand Master Reverend Brother LEWIS H. JACKSON, who prepares an interesting report, in spite of being "obliged to abridge his work."

Our Brother thinks with us that "joint occupancy of the same hall with other societies should be avoided as far as possible in every Jurisdiction, the best ends of Masonry not being best served by such practice." He stands with Brother ROBBINS "unalterably opposed to anything except the Masonry of the Ancient Landmarks—that is Grand Lodges of Free and Accepted Masons—assuming authority to erect Lodges to confer the three degrees of Symbolic Masonry," and we are with him, as we are in thinking "it well to give words of praise while men live; it cheers and encourages and spurs on to nobler efforts."

Under Canada, we quote, and thank our Brother:

"In his Address the Grand Master expressed his regrets that his official duties prevented his attendance at the Sesqui-Centennial Celebration of the initiation of W. Bro. George Washington into Freemasonry, and well he might, for it was the most splendid ovation of the kind we ever witnessed. Pennsylvania honored the Craft."



Pennsylvania for 1903 receives generous review. After speaking of the death of our Past Grand Masters PERKINS and ARNOLD, and saying, "They were loved and honored," he adds:

"'Tis sweet as year by year we lose  
Friends out of sight, in faith to muse  
How grows in Paradise our store;"

and with regard to the action about Masonic Homes, he says,—

"What a grand and glorious work for the amelioration of the condition of unfortunate and suffering humanity! God bless and prosper all such noble Masonic charities!"

A number of quotations are made from the address of Grand Master TENNIS. Our report is "a fine" one, and our Brother explains that neither his liberty of range nor his compensation is so large as this writer's, and therefore he cannot afford to be more "profuse;" this apropos of our remark that our review of Delaware was all that our Brother seemed to have considered in our report. We regret that our Brother does not have both the liberty of range and the compensation he deserves.

Most Worshipful Brother R. HENRY YOUNG, of Wilmington, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother BENJAMIN F. BARTRAM, of Wilmington, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—1903.

THE Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the District of Columbia held the Semi-Annual Communication at Masonic Temple, Washington, on Wednesday, May 13, A.D. 1903.

Most Worshipful Brother GEORGE HAROLD WALKER, Grand Master.

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The revision of the Constitution was considered and adopted with amendments.

A "Stated Communication" was held September 26. The Grand Master made a short address, referring to the new Constitution, etc., which had gone into effect since the Communication in May, without any friction or inconvenience. He made several suggestions as to needed forms for ceremonial, which were approved and referred to the Committee on Work and Lectures.

It seems that what is ordinarily called "Parliamentary Law" applies to the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia. It is provided in our Ahiman Rezon that "what is known as Parliamentary Law, or conventional systems for regulating the proceedings of deliberative assemblages, shall not apply to the Grand Lodge."

A number of alterations were made to the Constitution, which probably ends any need for extended changes for years to come.

The Annual Communication was held December 16. The address of the Grand Master is a very full and interesting account of a busy and eventful year. We are inclined to think that had the substance merely of the numerous letters of the Grand Master been given, considerable space could have been saved to advantage.

During the year, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master LARNER and Grand Tiler BIRCKHEAD had entered into rest; tributes were paid to their memories. We have a portrait of the former, and of the retiring Grand Master, and a picture of the monument to the late Grand Secretary SINGLETON.

Among the Special Communications during the year was one to lay the corner-stone of the War College, the Washington gavel having been used; and in that connection the Grand Master gives a list of the occasions upon which the historic gavel has figured.



In one case we note what seems to be a slip. Under "Lesser Events," we find "1872 Masonic Temple, Philadelphia." The corner-stone of our Temple in Philadelphia, at which the gavel was used, was laid on June 24, 1868, not 1872. It may be that 1872 is a misprint for 1873, the year our Temple was dedicated. We fear it is slightly inaccurate to say that the gavel was "used officially" by President THEODORE ROOSEVELT in 1902, at the celebration in Philadelphia of the Sesqui-centennial of WASHINGTON'S initiation, although it is true enough that we had the pleasure of having with us the PRESIDENT as well as Brother WALKER, at that time Deputy Grand Master, and that our Grand Master used the gavel in Grand Lodge on that very interesting occasion.

Before the Masonic ceremonies were carried out at the War College, Brother ROOSEVELT made a short but interesting address.

Number of Lodges, 26; initiated, 515; total membership, 7064, a gain of 353. Receipts, including balance, were \$16,449.65; disbursements, \$9225.96; balance, \$7223.69.

At the Communication held on December 28, the new Grand Master was installed, and delivered a short and dignified inaugural, and a Past Grand Master's jewel was presented to the retiring Grand Master.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. BAIRD, his fourth. He tells us that, owing to limited space ("limited by our statutes"), he has been obliged to abridge, it being his purpose to note the salient points which would interest the Fraternity at large as well as his own membership. He reverences those who can quote so copiously and so potently from the Holy Scriptures as can Brother BELDEN, of Arizona; he does not think it wise to rush the degrees, and we agree; but does think it wise to follow the "admirable custom in English Lodges and Colonial Lodges, of giving the civil title of the officers of the Craft," because there is such a duplication of names in the Craft, that there



may be uncertainty in the future as to the Brother intended, which is done away with by giving his civil title.

We may point out, under Nevada, that Brother STEPHEN GIRARD was not a Past Grand Master of Pennsylvania.

Pennsylvania for 1902 ("as usual, it is a gem of the printer's art") receives kind review.

Referring to the gift of our Grand Treasurer PATTON, Brother BAIRD says, "This is the largest charity fund ever donated by an individual to a Masonic body, so far as we can learn."

We heartily agree with Brother BAIRD that "it is a pity Lodges do not provide fire-proof vaults for their records."

Referring to our Washington celebration, our Brother says,—

"These exercises were followed by a banquet, which the sons of the Quaker City know so well how to give, which lasted until 'the wee small hours ayant the twal.' The decorations, the music, the after-dinner speeches were in keeping with the generous hospitality of the evening."

Several extracts are made from Grand Master TENNIS's address.

Brother BAIRD says,—

"The report on correspondence is by Past Grand Master Michael Arnold (to whom we owe apologies for failing to give him credit last year)."

As the reports of our Committee for 1900, 1901, 1902, and 1903 were all from the pen of this writer, who had assisted in preparing a number of previous reports, we suggest that our Brother make another guess, although, in view of the statements made in connection with each of the above reports, we are puzzled to see any room for guessing.

At the end of his review of Pennsylvania, Brother BAIRD says, most kindly,—

“ Since writing the above it has come to us that Bro. Arnold has joined the Great majority.

“ ‘ One by one the roses fade.’

“ Past Grand Master Arnold was one of the shining Masonic lights of this continent. A man without a vice. With the courage of his convictions he hesitated not to attack every innovation in the body of Masonry, adhering to its purest principles, and its pristine beauty. On whose shoulders shall the mantle of this great man fall?”

Most Worshipful Brother JAMES A. WETMORE, of Washington, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother ARVINE W. JOHNSTON, of Washington, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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#### ENGLAND—1904.

THE Most Worshipful United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of England held a Quarterly Communication at Freemasons' Hall, London, on Wednesday, December 2, A.D. 1903.

Most Worshipful Brother the Right Honorable the EARL AMHERST, Pro Grand Master, on the Throne.

Owing to the ever-increasing number of Brethren entitled to attend Grand Lodge, and the difficulty of enlarging the Temple, the Board of General Purposes, in their report, proposed to deprive the Wardens of Lodges of their immemorial right to attend Grand Lodge, a proposal which has well been said to be “the wildest and most revolutionary proposal which a Board of General Purposes has ever submitted for the consideration of the United Grand Lodge.” The subject was referred back to the Board, and at the next Communication it was decided not to proceed further in the matter. In the debate one Brother, a Past Master,—who should have



known that while a Warden has a *right* to attend Grand Lodge, a Past Master only has the *privilege* of attending,—stated that the Grand Lodge of England, “so far as he knew,” was the only one where the Wardens were admitted to Grand Lodge. Before attempting again to enlighten (?) the Grand Lodge, we suggest that the good Brother increase his stock of knowledge.

At the March Quarterly Communication (March 2, 1904), the Grand Master and the Grand Treasurer were elected (the only Grand Officers elected in the Grand Lodge of England). A donation of \$2500 was voted to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, which is the oldest hospital in the kingdom.

The receipts of the Fund of Benevolence were \$88,785, of which \$64,875 was expended for charity, there remaining in the Fund \$324,707. The receipts for General Purposes, including balance, were \$103,708; disbursements, \$83,131; balance, \$20,577.

The general balance sheet foots up \$1,388,369, of which \$688,669 is put down to “freehold house property.”

The Annual Grand Festival was held on Wednesday, April 27.

At the June Quarterly (the first day), a donation of \$2500 was voted for the rebuilding of King's College Hospital, which is to be moved to Camberwell. Among the appeals considered was one by a Brother who had been suspended by the Board of General Purposes for furnishing information on Masonic topics to a London paper, after attention had been called to the impropriety of such proceeding (mention of which we made in our report last year). The Board was sustained by a narrow margin of 32 in a vote of 568, the Brother, a well known writer, having succeeded in getting the sympathy of many of the Brethren.

At the September Quarterly, the Grand Lodge of Queensland was refused recognition. Out of twenty-six Irish, sixty-four Scottish, and sixty-two English Lodges, only twenty-five



Irish and fourteen Scottish Lodges favored the movement for establishing an independent Grand Lodge.

No report on Correspondence.

Most Worshipful Brother His Royal Highness the DUKE OF CONNAUGHT, of London, Grand Master, re-elected; Very Worshipful Brother Sir EDWARD LETCHWORTH, F.S.A., of London, Grand Secretary, reappointed.

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### FLORIDA—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Jurisdiction of Florida began its Seventy-fifth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Jacksonville, on Tuesday, January 19, A.D. 1904, and closed two days later.

Most Worshipful Brother THOMAS M. PULESTON, Grand Master.

The long address of the Grand Master gives a full account of his doings. While the Communication was the Seventy-fifth Annual, the Grand Lodge does not reach the age of seventy-five until next year. The Grand Master gives briefly some interesting facts about the growth of Masonry in Florida, with its four Lodges and 116 members in 1832, with a population of about 35,000, while to-day it has 145 Lodges and a membership of 4460, with a population of 525,000. The deaths of the Junior Grand Warden, Right Worshipful Brother WARREN TYLER, whose portrait we are glad to have, of Reverend Brother REGINALD WELLER, the Grand Orator, and of Brother W. B. BARNETT, who deservedly is entitled to the title of "Builder of the Temple," were sorrowful announcements. Referring to the death of our Past Grand Master ARNOLD, the Grand Master said,—

"Distinguished as a Judge, honored as a citizen, admired as a Judge, his character as pictured by his brethren, forms

an example to be emulated, an ideal to be cherished, and a career to be admired."

The Grand Master has some wise words to say about "reading Masons;" would that there were more of them!

Past Grand Master's jewels were presented to Most Worshipful Brothers JAMES CARNELL (the junior Past Grand Master) and MARCUS ENDEL.

Grand Secretary WEBSTER, in his report, states that the thanks of the Grand Lodge are due "to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for reprints of their proceedings 1849 to 1854."

The Masonic Home and Orphanage is progressing slowly.

A page is set apart, having inscribed thereon the names of "Builders of the Temple: William B. Barnett, William E. Anderson, Norville R. Carter, Milton A. Fuller, Henry Robinson." Their Brethren do well to honor them. So often we wait till those worthy of commendation have passed from earth, before we give expression to our opinion of their merits.

Number of Lodges, including four newly chartered ones, 149; initiated, 653; total membership, 5432, a gain of 527. Receipts, including balance, were \$13,826.04; disbursements, \$4579.35; balance, \$9246.69.

The Oration of the Grand Orator, Brother H. S. YEAGER, on account of its reference more or less to the esoteric work, could not be printed.

The history of the Temple, which, as we noted last year, Brother GRANVILLE BEAL was requested to prepare, was presented, and is printed in the appendix. It seems to be very complete.

A committee was appointed to prepare for the celebration of the Grand Lodge's seventy-fifth anniversary.

We venture the suggestion to Grand Secretary WEBSTER that throughout his printed proceedings he give to the Grand Officers and the Past Grand Masters their titles.



## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The Proceedings have as the frontispiece the portrait of the Grand Master. We continue to be of the opinion that the Proceedings which record the election and installation of a new Grand Master should contain his portrait, so that the Brethren may be able to see what manner of man their new Grand Master is.

In accordance with a careful report of Past Grand Master WRIGHT, of the Committee on Correspondence, the Grand Lodges in Mexico were not recognized.

The report on Correspondence is by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother SILAS B. WRIGHT, his third. This time he aims to "give less of the statistical and more of the historical and the doings of the Sister Grand Lodges, which effect the Craft at large." He deprives his Brethren of the pleasure of seeing the kindly things which have been written by his Brethren of the Corps about his work, though he extends to the latter "his thanks and appreciation."

Our Brother thinks that the Entered Apprentice should have more rights, and we think that ancient precedent favors his views; he seems to have doubts, as do we, as to when it would be "appropriate" to have the flag of our country "carried at the head of all Masonic processions when such would be appropriate," and has little use for "Order," "Craft" or "Fraternity" in his (and in this writer's) opinion being greatly to be preferred.

Pennsylvania for 1902 is well summarized. Grand Master TENNIS's address is "an excellent presentation of the affairs of his office, and contains much that is valuable and interesting." Several quotations are made and a summary of much more is given. We learn, from our Brother's comment on one decision, that in Florida the Master "is required to yield the gavel to a District Deputy Grand Master upon request."

Our report is kindly said to be "fully up to" our "high standard." Brother WRIGHT, inadvertently we believe, does



something of an injustice to Brother GREENLEAF, of Colorado, which we think it well to correct. We quoted from that Brother as follows:

“If we have not got any undisputed landmarks, let us throw them to the winds and beg the progressionists to formulate some strictly up-to-date provisions for our future guidance. There’s been considerable ‘high jinks’ in the Fraternity of late—the Gran Dieta, Peru, Washington—and now comes Manitoba and Missouri, and doubtless some others, who propose to show the ‘old fossils’ what’s what, and are already upon the checkered floor brandishing their artificial arms and making a lively kick with their patent adjustable legs! This is rather more forcible than elegant, but serves to show whither we are tending.”

Brother WRIGHT says, “Brother Lamberton has strong views upon the question of Ancient Landmarks, as well as some other things. He copies and approves the paragraph by Brother Greenleaf, of Colorado, who says,” quoting the above paragraph, but omits in his quotation the last sentence, and then proceeds thus: “This is rather more forcible than elegant, but shows the tendency of some Grand Lodges and the stringent adherence of others to old traditions.”

We venture to offer the suggestion to Brother WRIGHT, that he exercise a little more care in attributing to his Brethren views which they do not hold. From reading what our Brother has to say in connection with our report, one would be led to think that this writer places “the Royal Arch degree upon exactly the same standing as the Knights Templar,” and that “the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania has drifted so far away from its ancestors as to deny the ceremony known as the Royal Arch.”

The sole foundation for these suggestions is a remark of this writer (“Not being a ‘Star’ we cannot say, though we have our suspicions”) when referring to the opinion of

Brother McDONALD, of Indiana, "that there is as much Masonry in 'the Eastern Star' as in 'Royal Arch' Chapters or 'Knights Templar' Commanderies."

We are glad to see that Brother WRIGHT has come to know the interesting writings of our old friend, Brother W. J. CHETWODE CRAWLEY, the able Irish Masonic student and historical writer.

Brother WRIGHT concludes his review of Pennsylvania as follows:

"We cannot conclude our review of Pennsylvania without a mention of the celebration of the Sesqui Centennial of the initiation of Brother George Washington, held under the auspices of that Grand Lodge in November, 1902, and we cannot do better than to review the elegant volume issued by them upon that subject.

"The volume before us commences with a full reprint of the action of the Grand Lodge, and the action of the committees appointed to arrange the details of the celebration. The programme is also published, for the celebration of the event by particular lodges, a large number of which held the ceremonies suggested, a list of the lodges so celebrating appearing in the volume. Invitations were sent by the Grand Lodge to Grand Masters, Deputy Grand Masters, Grand Secretaries and to Chairmen of the Committees on Correspondence, of all Grand Lodges with which the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania holds fraternal relations, requesting their attendance, at the Grand Lodge celebration. A large number were in attendance.

"The attendance at the meeting in the forenoon was very large, about 550, and the ceremonies exceedingly interesting. The chair occupied by the Grand Master was that once used by Washington, loaned by the City Councils of Philadelphia, and brought from Independence Hall. On a pedestal, on the floor, was a marble bust of Washington, with the apron presented to him by Lafayette, while on the Grand



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Master's pedestal was the gavel used by Washington when he laid the corner-stone of the National Capitol, at Washington, D. C. There was also present, the Washington Bible, from Fredericksburg Lodge, No. 4, of Virginia, and the Washington Inauguration Bible from New York.

"M.:.W.:. Grand Master Edgar A. Tennis welcomed the visitors, to which M.:.W.:. Grand Master Charles T. Gallagher, of Massachusetts, made an appropriate response. Addresses were made by Brother Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States, Ex-Gov. Stewart L. Woodford, of New York, Governor Stone, of Pennsylvania, and other prominent members.

"In the evening a banquet was spread in the Temple and a table lodge was opened. The toasts were appropriate and the speeches by the distinguished Brethren were eloquent and in every way worthy of the men and the occasion. They are published in full in the book.

"The book itself is a marvel of the printer's art and a souvenir that will be prized by all so fortunate as to receive a copy. The entire affair was carried through in a style and on a scale worthy of the jurisdiction under whose auspices it was held."

Most Worshipful Brother THOMAS M. PULESTON, of Monticello, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother WILBER P. WEBSTER, of Jacksonville, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## GEORGIA—1903.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Georgia began its One Hundred and Seventeenth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Macon, on Tuesday, October 27, A.D. 1903, and closed two days later.



## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Most Worshipful Brother MAX MEYERHARDT, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master is interesting, forceful, and at times very eloquent. Last year we were told that the Craft had reached "the pinnacle of prosperity." It is most gratifying to have the Grand Master report "that the past year has been one of unparalleled prosperity to Masonry in the Jurisdiction," and with the corner-stone of the new Masonic Home duly laid, and a surplus of \$30,000, our Brethren of Georgia may well rejoice.

The death of Past Grand Master Brother JAMES M. MOBLEY was recorded, and a loving tribute paid to his memory.

We quote with approval the following decision:

" 'When application is made for Entered Apprentice Degree, and committee appointed and it is ascertained that the applicant is a Roman Catholic, what course should be pursued?'

"I replied that Masonry does not ask to what religious denomination a man may adhere. If he believes in God and is otherwise worthy and well qualified, he is eligible to receive the degrees in Masonry."

The Grand Lodge did well when it followed the Grand Master's suggestion to increase the salaries of the faithful and efficient Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer.

During the three years of Grand Master MEYERHARDT's service in the Oriental Chair great progress has been made, and his Brethren once more called upon him to serve them in that station. Well will it be for them if they heed his call for "men."

The corner-stone of the Masonic Home was laid the afternoon of the first day with interesting ceremonies and addresses, which we are glad to have preserved in print. The deed of gift of the land from Brother A. O. BACON, beauti-

fully engrossed by the Mayor of Macon, Honorable BRIDGES SMITH, was photographed and is reproduced as the frontispiece.

Our generous Georgia Brethren took up two collections, one for a distressed worthy Brother who had lost his property by a cyclone, and one for the children of the Georgia Industrial Home.

We note that the sum of money which was appropriated to enable the Grand Master to attend our Washington celebration, which he was at the last minute prevented from doing, was appropriated to pay his expenses "to the Grand Convention of Masons to meet in St. Louis during the year 1904."

Number of Lodges, 461, a net gain of 14; initiated, 1812; total membership, 22,841, a gain of 1702. Receipts, including balance, were \$59,011.73; disbursements, \$35,670.16; balance, \$23,341.57.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, Brother A. Q. MOODY, presents its report, his third, and very readable it is, abounding in short, pithy sentences and interesting extracts. We learn, under Missouri, that the Subordinate Lodges in Georgia do not have the power to expel, that being reserved to the Grand Lodge. Our Brother is inclined to be a little "liberal" in the matter of physical qualifications.

The more important happenings and items of interest in Pennsylvania for 1902 are given. After referring to the earlier part of our Washington celebration, Brother MOODY continues:

"In the evening, a grand banquet was served, and as to what further took place, is it not written in the 'Book of the Chronicles?' which, in this case, is a splendidly bound, and beautifully illustrated volume containing everything pertaining to the celebration of the sesquicentennial of Brother George Washington's initiation as an Entered Apprentice Mason."

Several extracts are made from Grand Master TENNIS's addresses.

Our report seems to our Brother to be "interesting and instructive." He refers to our request that he would tell us "what is his understanding of the words of the Ancient Charges, under the fourth general head in the Constitution of 1723, that he [the applicant] be descended of honest parents," saying that we, while not disputing the soundness of his position, undertook to smother him under one of the "Landmarks;" and after quoting our request, adds, "We are satisfied that the decision, while it may be good law in Pennsylvania, is founded neither upon justice nor common sense," and quotes Brother ALBERT PIKE to the effect that the Landmarks have never been definitely settled. We may be permitted to say that we did not attempt to "smother" the dear Brother under a Landmark. We quoted something that was regarded as very definitely settled in 1723. We fancy that the so-called Brethren in Mexico applied the same words to the Ancient Charge providing that no woman should be received into the Fraternity. We feel sure that in the opinion of our Brother's wife, provided he has one, such a decision is "founded neither upon justice nor good sense."

Most Worshipful Brother MAX MEYERHARDT, of Rome, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother W. A. WOLIHIN, of Macon, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### IDAHO—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Idaho began its Thirty-seventh Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, in Boise, on Tuesday, September 13, A.D. 1904, and closed two days later.

Most Worshipful Brother JOSHUA M. COWEN, Grand Master.



The annual address of the Grand Master is a thoughtful paper. He visited all the Lodges in the Jurisdiction with two exceptions, a record to be proud of.

Number of Lodges, including three new ones, 37; initiated, 188; total membership, 1954, a gain of 256. Receipts, including balance, were \$16,291.60; disbursements, \$9255.69; balance, \$7035.91.

Costa Rica and Valle de Mexico were recognized, and Western Australia was deferred, as was Queensland.

A photograph was taken of the members of the Grand Lodge, and it forms the frontispiece. It shows a very intelligent set of Brethren. A portrait is given, very properly, of the new Grand Master, to whom the signet ring was duly transmitted.

The report on Fraternal Correspondence is by the Chairman, Brother GEORGE E. KNEPPER, his third. Our Brother is of a vigorous turn of mind, and speaks that mind clearly, and his report will interest his Brethren. He thinks it well to avoid too high sounding phrases. He also well says that "In these days of Sabbath desecration, Masons should stand as a unit on the matter of Sabbath observance. Expediency is not a safe guide." He has no use for the ancient prerogative of making Masons at sight, saying, rather childishly, as it seems to us, in view of the facts, it "is so absolutely ancient that its practice among thinking Grand Masters has become positively obsolete."

Although our Grand Secretary informs us that four copies of our Proceedings for 1903 (the package having marked upon it "One for Committee on Correspondence") were sent last March to Grand Secretary RANDALL, Pennsylvania is not reviewed in this report.

Most Worshipful Brother ALBERT W. GORDON, of Kendrick, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother THEOPHILUS W. RANDALL, of Boise, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

## ILLINOIS—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois began its Sixty-fifth Annual Grand Communication at Studebaker Hall, in the City of Chicago, on Tuesday, October 4, A.D. 1904, and closed two days later.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM B. WRIGHT, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master is a practical paper. Peace, harmony, and good-fellowship prevail. The Craft has been in demand for laying of corner-stones, no less than sixteen having been laid (four Masonic Temples, four churches, three school buildings, three library buildings, and two court-houses). The most important dedication of the year, as well as the most significant one in the history of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, was that of the new Masonic Home at Sullivan.

Number of Lodges, 732, a gain of 3; raised, 6207; total membership, 70,921, a gain of 4254. Receipts, including balance, \$86,677.61; disbursements, \$53,584.14; balance, \$33,093.61. The receipts of the charity fund were \$25,315.95; the disbursements, \$17,434 (\$16,000 for the Masonic Home), leaving a balance of \$31,402 on hand.

The Committee on the Grand Master's address approve of him highly, thinking that "he is the (W) right man in the right place." We learn from the same Committee's report that Grand Secretary DILL has an "Association of M. W. Graybeards."

The Grand Orator, Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM A. NORTHCOTT, delivered a short and pleasing oration.

The Masonic Home is soon to receive its first inmates, twenty-one,—sixteen adults, and five children; two husbands and wives are among the number.

Five hundred dollars were appropriated to purchase for the use of the Grand Lodge five hundred copies of the history



of the first Grand Lodge in Illinois, which Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother JOHN CARSON SMITH has with great difficulty unearthed. It seems that this Grand Lodge became defunct some thirteen years before the present Grand Lodge was formed.

The Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home continues its good work. Its receipts were \$17,713.62; disbursements, \$14,809.85, with ninety-five beneficiaries cared for during the year.

A resolution was adopted providing that "no Lodge shall be named after any living person," a wise provision.

Western Australia was recognized, and the following sound resolution reported by Past Grand Master ROBBINS, the Committee on Correspondence, was adopted:

*"Resolved,* That this grand lodge is constrained by events to declare: That when the number of lodges existing in territory not already occupied by an independent and sovereign grand lodge becomes sufficient to warrant the formation of a sovereign grand lodge, such lodges and the brethren thereof are and of right ought to be free to discuss, canvass and determine all questions incident to a proposed organization without duress from any other Masonic power; and that the Grand Lodge of Illinois, will not respect any attempted deprivation of the Masonic rights, either of lodges or of individual Masons, sought to be imposed for no other offence than participation in the formation of a grand lodge in conformity with the Masonic law into which the numerous precedents furnished by the history of the Fraternity have now crystallized."

We have portraits of four Past Grand Masters,—Brothers HARRISON DILLS (1857), IRA A. W. BUCH (1858–60), F. M. BLAIR (1861–62), and THOMAS J. TURNER (1863–64).

A most interesting feature of the Communication was the visit of Past Grand Masters TERRY and JENKS, of Wisconsin, and MANN, of New Jersey.



The appreciation of Past Grand Master ROBBINS and his work on the Correspondence Committee, voiced by these Brethren, was gratifying to the Brethren of Illinois, and also to his Brethren of the Corps Reportorial, for his reports are always looked for with interest. He writes easily, gracefully, and forcefully. In his introduction he truly says,—

“ Much has been recently said, and truly said, of the robbing of Masonry of its blood in a material sense by the parasitic bodies that have been superimposed upon it. But the danger to Masonry is far greater in another direction than in the mere loss of material support. It lies in the weakening of all the sanctions of the fundamental law which has defined and differentiated Masonry from all other human institutions; that law to whose unchangeableness we are all doing constant lip-service, while at the same time we unprotesting see it honey-combed out of its identity.”

Under Arizona, he well says,—

“ Brother BELDEN stands with us in support of the common law of Masonry that a Master Mason is ‘ free of the guild’ and may make his Masonic home wherever he chooses, without reference to his place of abode, and forcibly says that ‘ if he cannot, and the rule compels him to apply where he resides, then equally the rule should compel a brother when removing into another jurisdiction to take out a dimit and join the lodge near his new residence. The one is the counterpart of the other.’

“ We regard this as unanswerable, but the latter day tendency to increasingly regard a brother simply or chiefly as an object of taxation is responsible for all sorts of vagaries masquerading as Masonic law.”

Under Colorado, Brother ROBBINS says,—

“The grand master properly refused to lay the cornerstone of a sugar-beet factory on the ground that it was not a public structure; invoked a dire east wind from the vicinity of Massachusetts Bay, by referring to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania—in connection with its sesqui-centennial celebration of WASHINGTON’S initiation—as ‘the oldest grand lodge in the United States;’ ”

Under Connecticut,—

“There are, of course, points on which we differ, as when after quoting from our review of Colorado, wherein we classed with other clandestine lodges all organizations claiming to exercise authority in the Masonry of the three degrees by virtue of any power derived from the Scottish Rite, Memphis Rite *et id omne genus*, he [Brother BARLOW] says:

“‘If this be true there is very little genuine legitimate Masonry outside the United States and the British possessions, and Masonry ceases to be universal. We are not quite prepared to admit all this, though we should be careful to avoid the atheistical tendencies of many of them.’

“No, the question whether or not Masonry is universal does not hang on that ‘if.’ Masonry has never been universal in the sense that it was geographically distributed over the whole earth. The claim of the Masonic fathers, the men from whom we have derived our Free and Accepted Masonry, never could have meant universality for it in that sense; because manuscripts contemporaneous with the dawn of speculative Masonry put forward the claim of universality as broadly as it has ever been put since, and these manuscripts were made and used by men who knew—or thought they knew, not being aware of the existence of a few lodges in Scotland—that there were not half a score of lodges in the British Islands and that there were *none* elsewhere. To claim for the society universality under such conditions, in the sense of universal geographical distribution, would have

been sheer buncombe. But that Masonry is universal in the sense that its catholic basis of fellowship is broad enough, and the scope of its principles far reaching enough to take in all the races of men was true in the beginnings of the institution, is now true, and will continue to be true through the centuries which are likely to elapse before all peoples have advanced enough to adapt themselves to it and thus make its universal distribution possible."

We wish we had room to quote the remarks of Brother DUNCAN, the Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, and Brother ROBBINS, on the question of how the Scottish Rite is said to have become possessed of the right to establish symbolic Lodges. We do not pretend at this time to attempt to decide the question, but we must say that we are inclined to think Brother ROB-BINS is in the right.

We beg to call attention to the following, under Wyoming:

"There was quite a display over the question of recognition of one or two foreign grand lodges. One paper closed with the following: 'That the recognition of the National Grand Lodge of Egypt by the Mother Grand Lodge of the World, the Grand Lodge of England, would have cured and healed any such irregularity and made it the peer of the Grand Lodges of Freemasonry everywhere.'

"If we are not mistaken, the Grand Lodge of England has recognized at least one other so-called grand lodge that is not considered the peer of any grand lodge in this country; on the contrary, is held to be clandestine. The Mother Grand Lodge is, therefore, clearly not an infallible guide to be followed in recognizing anything. Neither is she an infallible guide for Masons of this country to follow regarding a number of other matters Masonic."



Pennsylvania for 1903 is reviewed, Brother ROBBINS beginning,—

“This sumptuously printed volume with its customary heavy paper, large, clear type, generous margins and luxurious abundance of ‘fat,’ is embellished with two fine portraits in steel—Edgar A. Tennis (now out of the game by declining re-election to the grand east), and Joseph R. Chandler, whose administration as grand master in 1841-1842, left an ever-widening and deepening impression of his strong will on Pennsylvania masonry.”

After referring to the death of Past Grand Master ARNOLD, and quoting from one of the eulogies, Brother ROBBINS thus speaks of our late senior Past Grand Master:

“Past Grand Master Perkins was also a lawyer, great in his profession, but even greater in the facility with which he handled all aspects of great business transactions. He was the head of the building committee which constructed the Masonic Temple, as he was also the head and dominating spirit of the public buildings commission which gave to his city some of the finest public buildings in the land. He is best remembered in Chicago, Illinois, as chairman of the committee selected by Grand Master Cregier which met in Chicago to audit the accounts of the Masonic relief committee charged with dispensing the world’s bounty to the sufferers by the great fire, when he impressed all those who came in contact with him, with his great dignity and courtesy, and his powerful grasp of all business.”

The proposed Masonic Home in our Jurisdiction interests Brother ROBBINS, who quotes the action taken, as he does the letter of Brother THEODORE ROOSEVELT acknowledging the receipt of the specially bound copy of our Washington Sesqui-centennial Anniversary Celebration Memorial Volume.

A goodly number of quotations are made from the address of Grand Master TENNIS, and about a dozen decisions are given and commented upon, for the most part favorably, although two he regards as "curios worthy of a place in the museum department of the library."

Protesting against what he regards in Grand Master TENNIS's address as a disposition to narrow the Masonic definition of charity to mere almsgiving, a disposition which our Brother regards as prevalent, Brother ROBBINS continues:

"Least of all our great jurisdictions has Pennsylvania reason to hang her head in shame when orators declare us a great benevolent institution founded on Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth, for even on the grand lodge side her great relief funds have long been noted; while we doubt not the more pervading, far-reaching and effective ministries of the lodge and the individual, of which the world at large knows nothing, reach as high a mark in that jurisdiction as in any other; and we do not hesitate to say that the youngest and poorest jurisdiction, wherein the scantily-furnished apartments like the Lodge Room over Simpkins's Store are the rule, need not bow its head in shame, even when the benevolent, the relief, the mere alms-giving side is magnified unduly by orators who have never got deep enough into the significance of this great fellowship to catch at a tithe of what charity is in a Masonic sense."

As Brother ROBBINS is courteous enough to give the facts as we stated them (though a slip of the pen attributes them to Brother TENNIS), with regard to the case of a failure to give a Brother Masonic burial, because of the failure of the Grand Master of Illinois to request that the services should be performed, although that Brother had been informed of the necessity of such a course, for which there was time sufficient, we feel we must give Brother ROBBINS's comments:



“ This account shows, what we have never doubted, that the Lancaster brethren were anxious to do their whole duty in the matter; and that they did not—in view of their knowledge of Grand Master MOULTON’s excusable ignorance of the existence of such a regulation in Pennsylvania, and the improbability of its existence anywhere in a form to touch Masonic funerals—that they did not take the responsibility of disregarding the letter of the mere formality, rather than miss the substance of a higher obligation which they were solicitous to fulfill, and face the small chance that their action would not be condoned (if not gratefully forgiven), argues a degree of repression which we cannot believe exists elsewhere than in Pennsylvania. We feel quite sure that had a knowledge of the situation come accidentally to the ears of Grand Master TENNIS, no reason for the existence of the regulation would have been good enough or sufficient enough to have restrained him from telegraphing to No. 43 the request which the brethren of that lodge thought essential, and that without waiting for the desire of the family of the deceased to come to him through Grand Master MOULTON. And yet, as it seems to us, the office of grand master has been so magnified on the one hand, and the lodges held so closely in leading strings on the other, that it might never occur to a Pennsylvania lodge that a regulation may be only a means, not an end.

“ When, only a few years ago, this requirement that all correspondence between lodges in different jurisdictions should pass through the hands of the respective grand masters first cropped out—for during a period of nearly 170 years after a plurality of grand lodges had existed, the craft got along comfortably without any such restriction—we protested against it as the beginning of a process of nibbling away the rights of the lodges, for we hold that it is as much the birth-right of each and every lodge to correspond with any other regular lodge as it is the birth-right of every Mason to correspond with any other regular Mason, the world over,



on any subject of common interest growing out of their Masonic character, without let, hindrance or censorship. But we did not succeed in interesting the members of the guild to any considerable extent. The fad spread because as each new grand master run up against the existence of the restriction in some other in his reading or his official correspondence, as a rule he forthwith determined that no other jurisdiction should have any frills that his own did not possess, and so he, too, made a decision to the same effect. It is an unwarrantable interference with the rights of lodges; submission to it unprotesting invites further encroachments upon the independence of the craft, and the subject ought to have now the consideration which it did not have in its inception."

The words "descended of honest parents," our Brother regards as "something of a glittering generality." He admits that he "went off at half-cock" (to quote his words) and did our Grand Lodge "injustice" with regard to the matters to which we called attention in his report of last year. To have our report called by Brother ROBBINS "a very able and judicial-minded report" is a compliment we appreciate.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM B. WRIGHT, of Effingham, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother J. H. C. DILL, of Bloomington, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## INDIAN TERRITORY—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Indian Territory began its Thirty-first Annual Communication at Claremore, Cherokee Nation, on Tuesday, August 9, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother PHILIP D. BREWER, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a report of the official acts of his administration, showing a prosperous year, no less than fifteen dispensations for new Lodges having been granted in prosperous, promising new towns.

The death of the Grand Lecturer, Brother BENJAMIN G. MARTIN, we may say literally in the harness, brought grief to his Brethren. The Grand Master pays just and well-deserved tributes to two deserving Brethren,—Past Grand Master FURMAN, whose efforts in behalf of the Orphans' Home have been indefatigable, and "that lovable old veteran," Grand Secretary MURROW.

The address of welcome to the Grand Lodge, and the response, were delivered in public, that the citizens of Claremont might hear them.

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 152, seemingly a gain of 27; initiated, 713; total membership, 5669, a gain of 402. Receipts, including balance, were \$18,290.19; disbursements, \$10,061.12; balance, \$8229.07. The Orphans' Home Fund amounts to \$21,665.34, and the Grand Lodge, in addition, voted \$4000 from the general fund.

The Grand Orator, Brother S. C. FULLERTON, delivered a long oration, in public, on "Masonic Light," "to the edification of all present."

Past Grand Master EGLETON, of Oklahoma, was an honored visitor. Recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was deferred. Our Brethren of Indian Territory continue their good work, and the Subordinate Lodges aid sixty-two orphans. The Grand Lodge directed that a Committee on Charity be appointed, and appropriated \$500 for their use.

The installation, we are sorrowfully told by the Grand Secretary, was "a farce." He says, "Brethren were constantly leaving the hall." What was the Grand Pursuivant doing? Are Brethren permitted to retire without the consent of the Grand Master?



The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by the Committee, Most Worshipful Brother THOMAS C. HUMPHREY, a Past Grand Master of Arkansas, whose policy it is "to endeavor to give no offence in commenting upon the acts of other Grand Lodges, but rather to use such language as will knit us closer together in the bonds of Fraternal Friendship," and our Brother succeeded. He naturally prefers his own to another's name, being English and not Irish. We take it that a "puffee" is a little puff, but are not sure. Our Brother reviews briefly, and gives interesting extracts for the benefit of his Brethren.

Pennsylvania for 1903 is considered, and a long extract is made from Grand Master TENNIS's address on the subject of our proposed Masonic Home, which Brother HUMPHREY says is "appropriated with the hope that it will stimulate the Brethren of the Indian Territory in advancing the interests of the Widows' and Orphans' Home."

From our report, which our Brother kindly says is interesting, he gives our comments in our last report on the printing of names and details in Grand Lodge reports unnecessarily.

The portrait of Past Grand Master ROYALL J. ALLEN forms the frontispiece.

Most Worshipful Brother WILSON O. BRUTON, of Muldrow, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JOSEPH S. MURROW, of Atoka, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## INDIANA—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Indiana began its Eighty-third Annual "Meeting" in Grand Lodge Hall, in the City of Indianapolis, on Tuesday, May 24, A.D. 1904, being the eighty-seventh year of the Grand Lodge, and closed the following day.



Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM E. ENGLISH, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master shows a vigorous Grand Officer. The year was the "most prosperous, the most harmonious, and the most successful ever known to the Grand Lodge of Indiana." We confess to some surprise to find in the list of "distinguished and notable Masons of sister Jurisdictions," whom the Brethren have been called upon to mourn, the following: "January 11, 1904, James W. Brown, Past Grand Master of Pennsylvania." As that distinguished Brother, now the Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania, attended the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of the constitution of the writer's Lodge (Perseverance, No. 21), on November 10, 1904, we can certify that he was very much alive on that day. By some slip, the name of Brother BROWN was substituted for that of our dear Brother CONRAD B. DAY, Past Grand Master.

Number of Lodges, including seven under dispensation, 517; initiated, 3866; total membership, 40,199, a gain of 2881. Receipts, including balance, \$42,007.23; disbursements, \$19,727.57; balance, \$22,279.66.

The four Past Grand Masters, who had received, by order of Grand Lodge, appropriate jewels, thanked the Brethren in fitting words.

A Past Grand Master's jewel was presented to the retiring Grand Master. We do not feel that we can allow the following, from the eloquent presentation speech of Right Worshipful Brother LINCOLN V. CRAVEN, to pass unnoticed:

"George Washington is revered by the Masons of America, not alone because he was their most distinguished Grand Master, but because he shed glory on the Craft by his services as soldier and statesman."

It certainly is time that this erroneous idea regarding WASHINGTON's Grand Mastership should be dissipated; the

## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Indiana should be better informed.

At the beginning of the Proceedings we are glad to have portraits of the new Grand Master and the very efficient Grand Secretary.

We are glad to find that Grand Secretary PRATHER has at last given, in his table of Grand Secretaries, the correct date when our Grand Secretary SINN began the work of his station.

The "Indiana Annual Masonic Review" this year is once again from the pen of the chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother DANIEL McDONALD, who began his work under delightful surroundings by the side of the sparkling waters of Lake Maxinkuckee. He is not in favor of giving the title of Honorary Past Grand Master, and we agree. He has noticed that when he has said a particularly good thing, some one else gets the credit for it, and when some one else says a particularly bad thing it is credited to him, and we sympathize; and his experience has been that Correspondence reports are becoming more popular every year, and we rejoice.

When our Brother comes to Massachusetts, he swallows dear Brother NICKERSON's hook, line, sinker, and pole. Possibly Brother McDONALD does not know that the reported extension of Brother PRICE's commission over all North America has been regarded by no less an authority than Brother R. F. GOULD, as an "hallucination" of Brother PRICE's. We think that Brother McDONALD would do well to give the subject some study, for the longer we live, the more we can learn. There was a time when the Pennsylvania Brother joined with our Brother in thinking that Boston in Massachusetts was entitled to the distinction of being the birthplace of Masonry on this continent; but when we learned some things, among them that the so-called Massachusetts "records" were not records, we began to investigate,



and were surprised to find that some statements which had been accepted without question were very questionable indeed. In these days of historical investigation, it ill becomes one to say that a conclusion "is not disputed by any one whose opinion is worth considering." We suggest that our Brother read what we said in our report last year under Massachusetts (pages ci-cvi).

Pennsylvania for 1903 is courteously reviewed. Our Brother says,—

"The most noted feature of this conservative Grand Lodge is its numerous large charity funds, which have been established and built up by several large bequests and by excellent financial management on the part of the Grand Lodge. Charitable relief was distributed freely during the year, no worthy applicant being turned away without something to relieve his wants."

Grand Master TENNIS's address is "an interesting document," and a number of quotations are made from his decisions, upon which Brother McDONALD comments in an interesting manner. After quoting what was said about dress at Lodge meetings, our Brother continues:

"We have always been inclined to think that not enough attention is paid to dress on meeting nights, and especially by the Worshipful Master, who is 'the observed of all observers.' We have seen Worshipful Masters preside in the East wearing a bob-tail coat, and a jockey cap, and once we saw a Master wear a coonskin cap! We wondered what King Solomon would say if he could look down upon his successor robed in this sort of fashion!"

Less than seven lines dispose of our "excellent" report, which it is said was prepared by this writer "in place of Brother Michael Arnold, chairman, who died April 24,



1903." Owing to his judicial duties, Past Grand Master ARNOLD was unable to prepare the annual report for some five or six years past.

Most Worshipful Brother GEORGE E. GRIMES, of Ladoga, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother CALVIN W. PRATHER, of Indianapolis, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### IOWA—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Iowa, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, began its Sixty-first Annual Communication in Sioux City, in the Opera-House, on Tuesday, June 7, A.D. 1904, and closed two days later.

Most Worshipful Brother CHARLES C. CLARK, Grand Master.

A programme, which included music, addresses of welcome and a response, and "singing by the Grand Lodge," and which the chairman of the local committee "proceeded to carry out," having been concluded, "all not members of the order" were invited to retire. The address of the Grand Master is a detailed account of an able administration, which received, as it deserved, the approval of the Brethren. We notice that "Order" seems a favorite word with some of our Iowa Brethren. The Grand Master believes in by-laws being strictly obeyed, and he is right. We hope what he said about the use of the black ball will be beneficial to Masonry in Iowa. The deaths of Past Grand Master SCOTT and Past Grand Treasurer MILLER were announced.

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 507; initiated, 2517; total membership, 34,595, a gain of 1362. Receipts, including balance, were \$57,058.33; disbursements, \$25,046.84; balance, \$32,011.49.

The incoming Grand Master was authorized and directed to select a Grand Lodge Historian, but his selection is not given.

The report on Appeals and Grievances is admirably condensed.

Telegraphic greetings were exchanged with Wisconsin, Nebraska, and Nova Scotia.

From the report on Fraternal Dead, from the able pen of the scholarly Brother Reverend Doctor J. C. W. COXE, we take the following:

“SAMUEL C. PERKINS,

Senior Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, passed to reward July 14, 1903, full of years and honors. He was born in Philadelphia, November 14, 1828, and there resided until his summons came. At a special communication of the Grand Lodge, held July 17, 1903, loving tributes were paid to his memory by several brethren, and at the quarterly communication, held September 2, 1903, Past Grand Master C. B. Day presented a full memorial tribute. He was honored as a citizen, respected and trusted as a lawyer, loved as a friend, revered as a husband and father, and as a Mason was held in profound regard. He had held office in the Grand Lodge, in various stations, for fifteen years before his election as Grand Master in 1872. He was re-elected in 1873, and upon his retirement from the chair was continued in service on committees and as trustee until his death. He was a royal man—‘a gentleman of the old school’—able, affable, devoted alike to God’s glory and man’s welfare.

“‘After life’s fitful fever he sleeps well.  
God rest his soul.’

“CONRAD B. DAY.

“In closing his tribute to his revered friend and predecessor in office, S. C. Perkins, Past Grand Master Day quoted these lines:

“‘Thou hast but taken thy lamp and gone to bed;  
I stay a little longer, as one stays  
To cover up the embers that still burn.’



“That was on September 2, 1903. January 11, 1904, the ‘little longer’ delay was ended for Brother Day. ‘God’s finger touched him, and he slept.’ The friends and comrades of more than half a century were reunited after a brief interval of little more than a third of a year.

“Conrad B. Day was born in Philadelphia, July 3, 1832, and spent his entire life in the City of Brotherly Love. As a merchant and man of business he was unreservedly trustful; as a citizen he was honored for sterling worth and unusual qualities of leadership; as a Mason for nearly fifty years he walked in integrity, as becomes one who accepts the Great Light as authoritative counselor and guide. He served in various offices in the Grand Lodge for eleven years, when he was called to the Grand East, where he presided for two years—1883 and 1884. His translation removes a landmark from the Keystone State Masonry; his memory will be fragrant long after earthly laurels are faded and forgotten.”

Brother J. W. BARRY, who was appointed a special committee last year to ascertain the correct height of the famous pillars Boaz and Jachin, presented a most interesting report, which was illustrated with stereopticon views of various temples of the world; these are reproduced in the Proceedings. The height given in the Bible (eighteen cubits) is fully sustained by the report.

One of Grand Secretary PARVIN’s recommendations, that a steel portrait should be given of the Grand Master hereafter, was adopted, and Brother CLARK’s portrait on steel is accordingly given, and, in addition, pictures of the Grand and Past Grand Officers at the 1904 “Meeting” (who do not have their jewels attached to collars), of Brother J. J. MASON, late Grand Secretary of Canada, and Brother J. H. MEDAIRDY, late Emeritus Grand Secretary of Maryland, and of the other Iowa Grand Officers, using those words in their original sense, there being but six *Grand* Officers properly so-called;



for while every Grand Officer is an officer of the Grand Lodge, it is by no means historically true that every officer of the Grand Lodge is a Grand Officer.

In spite of Brother MORCOMBE's disclaimer, we think that our Iowa Brethren are still doing well with poetical extracts, and can hold their own with "their predecessors."

The pride of the Iowa Brethren, the Masonic Library at Cedar Rapids, is flourishing under Brother PARVIN's care and direction. The session at Sioux City seems to have been exceedingly pleasant, which does not surprise us, as we had a classmate at Yale who, hailing from Sioux City, was frequently known by that name; and taking him as a sample, we feel sure that our Brethren would be well treated by "the Sioux."

The report on Fraternal Correspondence is by the Committee, Brother JOSEPH E. MORCOMBE, and it abounds both in interesting quotations from addresses and reports, and in pertinent comments. We are glad to find ourself so often in accord with Brother MORCOMBE.

Brother MORCOMBE does not repeat to Brother CHASE, of Maine, the question propounded last year by the latter Brother to the former, as to how his Grand Lodge knew "whether it was a Masonic body which was performing escort duty," as he might have done, in view of the fact that the Grand Lodge of Maine was escorted to the dedication of the Drummond Memorial by the same sort of a body. Brother MORCOMBE explains that under its regulations, the Grand Lodge of Iowa "had Masonic cognizance of the Templar escort."

Pennsylvania for 1903 is considered. "Like all else that bears the imprint of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania," our Brother says, "the volume before us is excellent in arrangement and perfect as to paper, typography, and illustrations."

Grand Master TENNIS's address comes in for commendation, a number of quotations being given, with well-put comments upon the same. Brother MORCOMBE says,—

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“ We are of opinion, with Grand Master Tennis, that the strain entailed upon some of our lodges to seek and receive new material will materially impair their usefulness. We use the word ‘ seek’ advisedly, for certainly some of our more ambitious and overzealous brethren have gone beyond safe and justifiable limits to gain accessions. ‘ Modern’ methods—those found so efficacious by beneficiary societies, the prestige and prosperity of which depend on numbers—have injuriously affected Masonry, and it were well to get back to first principles, even though the retiring Master may not be able to show a greater amount of money received than did his predecessor. Let him show rather Masonic virtues inculcated, Masonic knowledge disseminated, and Masonic charity exercised. This, more than numerous degrees worked by rote and unmeaningly, will be to his credit and the benefit of the brethren.”

Referring to a remark of ours that a certain address was “ about up to the Iowa standard in the matter of poetry,” our Brother says,—

“ Alas, my brother, the present writers and speakers in the Iowa Grand Lodge are a dull, prosaic lot, compared with their more genial and versatile predecessors, to whom quotation was second nature. Our Grand Secretary alone holds up the ancient custom.”

His review, omitting statistics, concludes:

“ We are reminded very kindly of failure to mention the sesqui-centennial celebration of the initiation of George Washington. We regret the omission and shall ever regret inability to be present on an occasion of such significance. The beautiful memorial volume, copy of which we received, but serves to show what we had missed, not least among which



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things was the opportunity to meet our good brother who 'started the ball rolling.' ”

Most Worshipful Brother SUMNER MILLER, of Guttenberg, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother NEWTON R. PARVIN, of Cedar Rapids, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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THE Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Ireland held a Stated Communication in Freemasons' Hall, Dublin, on St. John the Evangelist's Day, December 27, A.D. 1902.

The Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, Brother Sir JAMES CREED MEREDITH, LL.D., delivered his annual address, touching upon matters of Imperial interest, the honored dead, Freemasonry abroad, the Provincial and Colonial Lodges, our Masonic duties, and matters of domestic interest. We quote:

“ Another subject I would like to draw your fraternal attention to, with reference to Masonry abroad, was a very remarkable ceremony that took place in Pennsylvania upon the 5th of November last—the hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the initiation of George Washington as a member of our Masonic Fraternity. That ceremony was remarkable in many ways. It was remarkable for the vast concourse of Masons who assembled from all parts of America, and, indeed, from all parts of the world of Freemasonry, to bear testimony to the worth of George Washington as a Freemason. Many of the Officers of this Grand Lodge were invited to be present upon that occasion, and I much regret that none of our body was able to attend the ceremony. It was only this morning that I received a volume—I have not had time to do more than glance at it—which contains a full account of the address delivered



by our Brother James M. Lamberton, a distinguished American Mason, upon the occasion of the celebration to which I have referred. The well-known organ of the Craft in Philadelphia, 'The Keystone,' of the 8th November, is a paper which, I am quite sure, will be read with interest by Masons far distant from Pennsylvania. It gives a very full and, I understand, a perfectly accurate account of that celebration. The celebration was very interesting in many ways to us Irish Masons, because I find—or rather the researches made for me by my Brother the Senior Grand Deacon [Brother W. J. CHETWODE CRAWLEY, LL.D.] have shown—that this Grand Lodge had taken sympathetic note, in the year 1800, of the Masonic career of George Washington. It is recorded in the minutes of this Grand Lodge, of the 5th June, 1800, that we received 'a communication from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania announcing the death of their Grand Master [*sic*], our Brother George Washington,' and upon the 7th August in the same year a resolution of condolence with our American Brethren was adopted by this Grand Lodge, and was duly forwarded to Pennsylvania. It is of interest sometimes to look back upon these records of the past, of more than a hundred years ago, and to find that a man who played in his day such a very important part in the history of the world as George Washington did, was himself one who was bound to Masons by those ties by which we are bound one to the other. And it is interesting, too, to know that upon the occasion of the celebration of the hundred and fiftieth anniversary of his initiation, the present President of the United States of America went to Pennsylvania to take his part in that ceremony as a member of the Masonic body, and to render his tribute to that illustrious American citizen."

The Deputy Grand Master reported that during the year a start has been made to form a Masonic museum; spoke of the proposal to have a portrait of the Grand Master, His

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Grace the DUKE OF ABERCORN, painted for the Hall; heartily commended the publications of Quatuor Coronati Lodge, No. 2076, London, and, in closing, referred to the fact that on that day twenty-five years before he had first been installed as an officer (Grand Inner Guard) of the Grand Lodge, and had served the Grand Lodge ever since in an official capacity. Six warrants were granted during the year.

Receipts were \$21,842; disbursements, \$18,225, including three donations of \$500 each to the Masonic Female Orphan School, the Masonic Orphan Boys' School, and the Victoria Jubilee Masonic Annuity Fund, and \$3375 to the Charity Fund. The Charity Fund disbursed \$2220.

A special Communication was held December 15, 1903, for the purpose of unveiling the portrait of the Grand Master, which had been procured by the subscriptions of the Brethren, and which the Grand Master, the DUKE OF ABERCORN, received on behalf of the Grand Lodge.

At the Stated Communication on St. John the Evangelist's Day, 1903, the Deputy Grand Master delivered his annual address, which was of especial interest. The year had been a prosperous one; no less than twenty warrants had been granted, six being for Lodges in various parts of Africa. Some sound words were spoken by Brother MEREDITH on the use of the black "bean." The new Museum is increasing in value, by reason of interesting donations. The Masonic Orphan Schools are doing well.

Receipts, including balance, were \$26,211; disbursements were \$18,880, including the usual grants of \$500 to each of the two Masonic Orphan schools and to the Annuity Fund, and \$3405 to the Charity Fund; balance, \$733. The Charity Fund disbursed \$2535.

Most Worshipful Brother His Grace the DUKE OF ABERCORN, of Dublin, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother LORD CASTLETOWN, of Dublin, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



## KANSAS—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Kansas began its Forty-eighth Annual Communication in Representative Hall, in the City of Topeka, on Wednesday, February 17; A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother BESTOR G. BROWN, Grand Master.

Before Grand Lodge was opened, an interesting entertainment was given, principally by the children of the Masonic Home, who had been brought from Wichita.

The annual address of the Grand Master is full and complete, showing a zealous and energetic official. He regarded the question of life-membership so important that he submitted inquiries to the various Grand Lodges with regard to the subject, and reported that "the consensus of opinion seems to be that the life-membership by-law is unwise, especially if it provides for exemption from dues through the payment of a lump sum." The matter of District Deputy Grand Masters was investigated in the same way, and the Grand Master reported that this system was so successful that he recommended its adoption in Kansas as soon as possible, and Grand Lodge accordingly adopted the plan. The results of the Grand Master's inquiries on these two subjects are given in the form of digests, and are of great interest; so, too, are the accounts of the Masonic Homes in the different Jurisdictions. The efficient work of the Craft in relieving the distress caused by the flood in the Kaw valley in June, 1903, as related by the Grand Master, is most creditable.

In addition to the portrait of the retiring Grand Master, which forms the frontispiece, there are portraits of Past Grand Master THOMPSON, who passed away during the year, and of Past Grand Masters Brothers JACOB D. RUSH, ISAAC B. SHARP, OWEN A. BASSETT, JOHN M. PRICE, and MOSES S.



ADAMS, Past Deputy Grand Master Brother EDWARD A. SMITH; and a representation of the beautiful Past Grand Master's Jewel presented to the retiring Grand Master. Biographical sketches are given of the Brethren mentioned, an excellent plan.

Number of Lodges, including five new ones, 369; initiated, 1617; total membership, 24,742, a gain of 1175. Receipts, including balance, were \$54,777.62; disbursements, \$31,544.14; balance, \$23,233.48. The Charity Fund disbursements were \$4563.12.

From the report of the Committee on Necrology we quote:

"PENNSYLVANIA.—M.·.W.·. MICHAEL ARNOLD, Past Grand Master of Pennsylvania, died on April 24, 1903, at the age of 63. His record of two years, 1893 and 1894, as Grand Master is a monument to his learning, skill and ability. He was clear in thought, prompt in action, wise in counsel, and ever courteous. Even when he did not agree with you, and was compelled to decide adversely, it was done in such a way that you knew that he felt he was right, and your disappointment was eradicated by your admiration of his wisdom and courtesy.

"Again, on July 14, 1903, the Grand Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania was visited by death, and M.·.W.·. SAMUEL CLARK PERKINS, Senior Past Grand Master, answered the last summons. At the time of his death Bro. PERKINS was in his seventy-fifth year. He was Grand Master in 1872 and 1873, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter in 1866 and 1867, and Grand Master of the Grand Council in 1866. He was an able and eminent lawyer, an upright and public spirited citizen, a Mason in the strictest sense, and a kindly, courteous, affable and generous gentleman. In all the relations of life, and in the discharge of every duty that devolved upon him 'he was faithful unto death.' "

It was decided to have an official cipher, or, as Brother SHAVER calls it, "an initial-letter-aid-to-the-memory," which

we regret. The address of Past Grand Master DEWEY, on the changes in the ritual, reported a large amount of information as to the development of "the Preston-Webb work," as it is frequently called.

One of the fullest and most complete reports on Correspondence of the year is the third one of Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM M. SHAVER, who seems amused at being regarded as an "old war horse" at the age of forty-five, and tells us his plan of preparing a report is:

"We simply conscientiously dig through the Proceedings, clip and paste, and comment when comment seems necessary, with the idea of giving our Kansas brethren a bird's-eye view of the masonic work of a year."

Referring to some words, under Tennessee, of Brother WALTON, as to his writing his report more for the Guild than for Tennessee, and admitting his fear of the "Mutual Admiration Society," and entertaining a wholesome respect for it, Brother SHAVER says,—

"Oh, we entertain the 'respect' feeling all right, and when we first attempted one of these reports in another Masonic Grand Body several years ago we had a little of the 'fear' tremor, but we discovered that these 'knights of the pen and scissors' were mortals like the rest of us, and did once in a while make breaks. So we picked up our shillalah, and when we think we see a head on the wrong side of the fence we hit it a whack and then grin and dodge. If this isn't the best way, why we don't know any better. 'Tis said that 'fools rush in where angels fear to tread.'"

Our Brother's objections to honorary titles are sound.

As to life-membership, while it may possibly work well in some Jurisdictions, it seems to him "unnecessary and a possible source of evil," and we are inclined to concur.



Pennsylvania for 1902 receives courteous review. Of our Washington celebration Brother SHAVER says, in part,—

“SPECIAL, NOVEMBER 5TH.—The Special Communication of November 5, 1902, was the sesqui-centennial celebration of the initiation into Masonry of our illustrious Bro. GEORGE WASHINGTON, and was a most notable occasion.

“The President of the United States was then formally introduced by the Grand Master, and received with the salutations of the Craft, and delivered a most excellent address, which the brethren of Kansas were privileged to read through the columns of the masonic journal forwarded to each lodge through the thoughtfulness of our Grand Master DEWEY.

“The visiting Grand Masters then brought greetings from their various jurisdictions, and the afternoon and evening were spent in a table lodge in the grand banquet room of the Temple, three hundred and fifty-six covers being laid.

“The full text of the proceedings at this Special Communication is contained in an elegant souvenir memorial volume of 382 pages, a copy of which we have the pleasure of possessing through the courtesy of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

“At the close of the Communication, the Grand Secretary announced that he had received letters of declination and regrets from the Grand Masters of twenty-eight Grand Lodges, which he lists, Kansas being named among them.”

From Grand Master TENNIS’S “excellent” address a number of extracts are made, and a number of decisions are commented upon, in a discriminating manner. Referring to that one about the eligibility of “one born out of wedlock,” our Brother says, “The above seems to state the general Masonic law, but we admit it emphasizes a principle that has no *principle* in it.” We are inclined to think that there is a very definite principle in it.

Our Brother has succeeded in “making out” some remarks of ours which were put into one paragraph, because they



related to some remarks of our Brother, concerning which we briefly summed up our views, and for some reason he regards this as done in "cryptogram form." We admit that reference to our Brother's review of the preceding year is necessary to fully understand our remarks, but then we were definitely referring to that review. We trust that "the mental labor involved" was not too severe for our Brother.

Referring to the close of our report, where we expressed our regret at not having the pleasure of welcoming more of our Brethren from other Jurisdictions, Brother SHAVER says,—

"Speaking personally, it was a source of deep regret to the writer that he was unable to accept the greatly appreciated invitation which he duly received from the Right Worshipful Grand Master of Pennsylvania, to whom acknowledgment and declination of invitation, with expression of regret, was promptly made.

"We trust that letter was duly received by R. . W. . Bro. TENNIS, because we should feel deeply grieved to know that we were classed among the careless ones. We observe that our letter does not appear among the published regrets in the memorial volume, but we take it that only a selected few of those received were published; in fact, we notice that our Grand Master DEWEY's letter does not appear there, although its receipt was acknowledged in Grand Lodge by Grand Secretary SINN, and we shall, therefore, assume that our communication also safely reached its destination."

We may say that our Brother's reply, which, unfortunately for us, was a declination, was duly received, as was that of Grand Master DEWEY, and that, as it was not practicable to print all the letters received, a selection had to be made.

Most Worshipful Brother THOMAS G. FITCH, of Wichita, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother ALBERT K. WILSON, of Topeka, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

## KENTUCKY—1904.

THE Grand Lodge of Kentucky, Free and Accepted Masons, began its One Hundred and Fourth Annual Communication, in "The Masonic" Temple, in the City of Louisville, on Tuesday, October 18, A.D. 1904, and closed two days later.

Most Worshipful Brother OWEN D. THOMAS, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait shows quite a young-looking Brother to have been called by the suffrages of his Brethren to the Chair of King Solomon in so old a Jurisdiction as Kentucky, is a practical paper, which commended itself to his Brethren.

He had to announce the deaths of two Past Grand Masters, Most Worshipful Brothers J. SOULE SMITH and JAMES A. MCKENZIE. Their portraits are given, and pages are inscribed to their memories.

Among the dispensations granted were several "to receive more than five candidates at the same meeting in the Entered Apprentice degree." How such a dispensation can be issued by any Grand Master we are at a loss to understand, but it must be the Kentucky way; and just here we venture to quote what Past Grand Master CLARK wrote in his Correspondence Report, under Idaho:

"Attention is called to these sentences: 'Our By-Laws do not fix the number who may be initiated, passed or raised at one meeting. It depends upon the endurance of those who may do the work.'

"We have an indistinct recollection that there is a provision in the Common Law of Masonry, aside from any provision of the Constitution or By-Laws of a Grand Lodge, which limits the number who may be made Masons at one time, and which relieves the strain on the endurance 'of those who may do the work.' The Regulations of 1721, if



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our memory is not at fault, restricts the number who may be made Masons at one time to five.' ”

We regret to find that “ The Masonic,” which is the popular way in Kentucky of speaking of their Temple, is not self-sustaining, and economy must be the order of the day, though it appears that economy will not be exercised in either of two ways,—biennial sessions or doing away with the report on Correspondence, which we are glad to know.

Number of Lodges, 486, a net gain of 7; initiated, 2502; total membership, 25,416, a gain of 1869. Receipts, including balance, were \$30,659.23; disbursements, \$8826.76; balance, \$21,832.47.

Western Australia, Costa Rica, and Queensland were recognized, and Brazil was postponed a year.

The Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home and the Old Masons' Home are justly sources of pride to our Kentucky Brethren.

The last part of the “ Centennial History” of the Grand Lodge is bound with the Proceedings, and a number of interesting views of the rooms in the old Temple, and of the Masonic Home, conclude the volume.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM W. CLARKE, who once more takes his place at the table of the Corps Reportorial. We see that hereafter he is to do his work as “ Reporter of Foreign Correspondence.”

He selects judiciously and comments quite freely, and is quite prepared to do battle for his opinions. We see that he does not, in our opinion very properly, feel bound to agree with everything his Grand Lodge may do, as this, under Delaware, shows:

“ While Kentucky permits public installation of the officers of subordinate lodges, the writer heartily agrees with



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Brother Jackson in questioning their propriety. The installation of officers is either Masonic work or it is not. If it is Masonic work, then it should be restricted to a tiled lodge; if it is not, then it should be discontinued; elect the officers, and let them, without form or ceremony, assume their duties."

Under New Jersey, we note that our Brother says,—

"We have never been able to reconcile it to our judgment that objection after ballot is equivalent to a black ball. We hold that the election creates certain rights, and that justice to the candidate requires that the objection should be examined and its reasonableness inquired into."

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We have no difficulty in the matter, because we remember that until a candidate has been obligated, he is not a Mason, and up to that point, a *Mason*, if a member of the Lodge, has still the right to object, which has the same effect with us as the casting of a black ball.

Pennsylvania for 1903 ("December 28, 1904," is, of course, a misprint) is assigned a little over a page. The address of Grand Master TENNIS "is in every way admirable." Several of his decisions are quoted. Four sentences are given to our report: the first, which gives us a title which does not belong to us, mentions that we pay "a fitting tribute" to our immediate predecessor, "the lamented Michael Arnold;" the second mentions the number of the reviews; the third is as follows: "Under Montana the brother, as he has a right to do, become enthusiastic of the temple;" and the fourth gives quite a long extract, which is clearly marked in our report with quotation marks, from Brother HEDGES's review of Pennsylvania, which we quoted from his report on Correspondence.

Most Worshipful Brother ROLAND H. C. RHEA, of Morganfield, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother H. B. GRANT, of Louisville, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

LOUISIANA—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Louisiana began its Ninety-second Annual Grand Communication in the City of New Orleans, at Masonic Temple, on Monday, February 1, A.D. 1904, and closed two days later.

Most Worshipful Brother ROBERT R. REID, Grand Master.

From the excellent address of the Grand Master we quote:

“ The prominence of Freemasonry, as a factor in the development of our civilization, is due not alone to the recognition of a Supreme Creator and to the inculcation of a belief in that Creator as a dominant feature of her esoteric as well as exoteric teachings, but because she has added, as a co-ordinate, that principle of action which is the heritage of her glorious past; the tocsin of her splendid present and the *ultima thule* of her grander future—Toleration. That toleration, that freedom of thought, of speech and of action which mean the liberation of man from the thralldom of his own passions and prejudices to the liberty which shall make of him the true citizen, the actual man, the real Mason.”

Number of Lodges, 159; initiated, 1078; total membership, 7898, a gain of 934. Receipts, including balance, were \$33,645.62; disbursements, \$32,111.19; balance, \$1534.43. But \$6000 remains of the Temple debt.

It is pleasant to see the salary of Grand Secretary LAMBERT increased, and that of Grand Lecturer HINES. An unsuccessful effort was made to limit in the future the Grand Masters to one year of service.

A committee was appointed to suggest a plan of Masonic relief, in the shape of a Masonic Home or otherwise, as they may think best.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence



is by the Chairman Reverend and Worshipful Brother HERMAN C. DUNCAN, D.D., Grand Chaplain, whom we had the pleasure of meeting at Boston in October. Brother DUNCAN writes easily and interestingly.

Our Brother objects forcibly to the improper use of the word "Masonic," believing "that nobody possesses the right to use another's name without his consent, nor to build his business upon the merits of the other's reputation without submitting to such control as the other may dictate." He also objects, as do we, to ciphers.

Referring, under South Africa, to some correspondence as to a Lodge at Cape Town for which "a working dispensation" had been granted by "the Right Worshipful Grand Master of the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Philadelphia, Pa., U. S. A.," Brother DUNCAN says,—

"We are very glad to find the Grand Lodge of England and its District and Provincial Grand Lodges standing so firmly by the 'American' doctrine of exclusive territorial jurisdiction. But we regret that Very Worshipful Bro. Letchworth has written in such wise as to imply that the body in Philadelphia, granting the warrant to the Ethiopia, was an American Grand Lodge, when he knew, or ought to have known, that the very same reasons that he assigns for his opinion that 'Ethiopia Lodge' is clandestine, operate to make the so-called Grand Lodge of Philadelphia clandestine. The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania claims exclusive jurisdiction in the State of Pennsylvania, on the same principle on which it is claimed by the District Grand Lodges of South Africa. The so-called Grand Lodge of Philadelphia is clandestine, and its offsprings are clandestine, whether in Philadelphia or Cape Town. We wish very much that the Grand Secretary of England had said this, and not left the implication which lies in his letter that an American Grand Lodge of rightful jurisdiction in its own territory had invaded the territory of South Africa.



“ There has been a good deal of false sympathy extended to the clandestine bodies of negroes in the United States, and we cannot but feel satisfaction when they develop their true nature, and demonstrate to the world their clandestine character. We are very glad that the Grand Lodge of England has come to appreciate and to unite with us in our denunciation of the bogus character of their pretensions. It is with pleasure that we can write that it is no more, no less, unmasonic for Prince Hall Lodge of Boston to set up a Lodge in Pennsylvania in defiance of the sovereign rights of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, than for the Lodge so set up to in turn set up a Lodge in South Africa.”

Our Brother reviews Pennsylvania for 1902, and quotes that part of Grand Master TENNIS's address relating to the benefaction of our Grand Treasurer PATTON.

Commenting upon one of the decisions that a petition can be withdrawn after favorable action by ballot, by permission of a majority of all the members present, Brother DUNCAN asks: “ Supposing a majority should vote in the negative on the question, what would happen ?” We may say for our Brother's information, that, by our law, a petition for initiation and membership cannot be withdrawn until a favorable report has been made, and then only by permission of a majority of all the members present. The decision quoted goes a little farther, and, if a candidate has been favorably reported upon, and has been balloted for and unanimously approved, he may withdraw his petition at that point if he so desires, providing a majority of those present are willing; and it is difficult to imagine that any body of men would unanimously vote to permit a man to join their number, and yet would refuse him permission to withdraw his petition, if he should change his mind. Our Brother supposes, as it seems to us, a case not very likely to happen. We are of the opinion that a petition for initiation and membership is not usually withdrawn unless it is understood that a black ball

will be cast if the petition is not withdrawn; and in case the petition should not be withdrawn, it is more than probable that an oral objection would be made, which with us has the effect of a black ball.

Brother DUNCAN need have no fear that we do not allow ladies at Masonic banquets because of the "probable conduct of the Brethren on such occasions," for we believe with him that "there never should be a Masonic banquet of such a character that ladies could not be admitted thereto." Ours is a Fraternity, a society, as the word means, of Brethren, and as Past Grand Master ARNOLD once said, "Brethren are, or at least should be, men." We believe it wisest and best to restrict Lodge funds to Lodge purposes.

Brother DUNCAN dissents from Grand Master TENNIS, and insists that the same rule as to physical perfection be applied in every degree as in the first. We venture to think that the answer to Brother DUNCAN is to be found in his question, under Georgia, "Is an Entered Apprentice a Mason?"

A number of decisions receive favorable comment.

Our Brother explains at some length the custom in his Jurisdiction as to titles, and refers to the usage of his Grand Secretary, which we see this year, as before, is not uniform. We certainly do not raise any objection to our Brother's ecclesiastical position being recognized; on the contrary, we believe it is entirely proper that it should be recognized.

After asking again for information as to the initiation of Brother GEORGE WASHINGTON before he was twenty-one years of age, our Brother ends his review:

"We desire to avail ourselves of this opportunity to thank our Pennsylvania brethren for a copy of the handsome memorial volume of the session of their Grand Lodge in commemoration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the initiation into Masonry of Bro. George Washington."



If he had examined the book somewhat (and he might well have expected that that question would necessarily force itself upon any one trying to treat fully of WASHINGTON's Masonic career), we believe our Brother would have found the information he sought,—namely, that it was in accord with the regulations in this country, at least in Pennsylvania, that a man might be *initiated* before he was twenty-one, but not advanced to the sublime degree of Master Mason until he was of that age, as was the case with WASHINGTON. Personally we do not believe in the “Lewis” theory.

Most Worshipful Brother L. P. DELAHOUSSEY, of New Orleans, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother RICHARD LAMBERT, of New Orleans, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### MAINE—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Maine began its Eighty-fifth Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, Portland, on Tuesday, May 3, A.D. 1904, and closed two days later.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM J. BURNHAM, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master shows a busy year, and he deserves the well-bestowed thanks of his Brethren. Most Worshipful Grand Masters Brothers WINFIELD S. CHOATE and JOSEPH A. LOCKE were called from this life during the year, a sad loss to the Brethren of Maine; fitting memorials were presented.

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 200; initiations, 1339; total membership, 24,611, a gain of 671. Receipts, including balance, were \$17,902.30; disbursements, \$6316.17; balance, \$11,586.13. The Charity Fund amounts to \$36,099.

The valuable library of the late Past Grand Master DRUMMOND was secured for the Grand Lodge, the Drummond



Memorial Fund having been sufficient to purchase it, as well as to erect the monument referred to in our last report.

Recognition of Costa Rica was deferred, "until such time as all doubts as to their intention to observe and preserve the ancient land-marks and usages of the Fraternity have been clearly proclaimed [*sic*]."

The report of the Committee on Library records the receipt, June 1, 1903, of a copy of the Memorial Volume of our Washington Sesqui-centennial Celebration.

The portrait of the retiring Grand Master forms the frontispiece.

The report on Correspondence is by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother ALBRO E. CHASE, the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, his second. It is full and interesting, and worthy of one who writes thus:

"We are of a conservative nature. We believe in Masonry as it existed in the days of our fathers; we mean before all the hurry and bustle of the present day, when there was time for everything, and everything at a proper time; in the days when the attentive ear caught the true meaning of Masonry, and it was not thought necessary by means of robes and glittering paraphernalia, to teach Masonry to a candidate through his eyes. As a matter of fact it is 'light in Masonry' that the candidate is seeking for, and it is only by a study of the teachings of Masonry through his brains that his heart becomes filled with pure masonic love to God, his neighbor, and himself."

Our Brother has certainly "won his spurs."

We are not surprised to have him say, and are complimented by being quoted, "the use of the 'beautiful scenery and dramatic effects' do not coincide with our views any more than the use of such things suits Bro. Lamberton of Pennsylvania."

Our Brother does not favor printing unnecessary details

of trials in the printed Proceedings of Grand Lodges; and he agrees with us in holding that the Worshipful Master may call to the East any Brother whom he may decide to be competent to confer degrees or transact business, provided the Master is present in the room.

Pennsylvania for 1903 is carefully summarized. Several quotations are made from Grand Master TENNIS's address, which is "replete with learning and chaste language." A number of his decisions are given for the information of the Brethren, and two extracts are made from Grand Master BROWN's inaugural, as are a number from our report, and we are very glad to have him say,—

"We are very glad to render our feeble assistance to him in striving to bring about the result which he so much desires in the printing of unnecessary details and names in the reports of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals. We hope that every member of the Guild who reads what he has to say on that subject under Indian Territory will strive to use his influence in his Grand Lodge to the end that such matters be not published, because his reason is conclusive that any Grand Lodge which spreads abroad a report of charges against a brother which afterwards are proven false 'grievously wrongs a brother.'"

He expresses his thanks for our acceding to his request to print the final paragraph of a review by Brother DRUMMOND concerning the fact whether FRANKLIN was a Mason or not.

Most Worshipful Brother HUGH R. CHAPLIN, of Bangor, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother STEPHEN BERRY, of Portland, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

MANITOBA—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, began its Twenty-ninth Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, at the Town of Edmonton, District of Alberta, on Wednesday, June 18, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother E. A. BRAITHWAITE, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a practical paper. He made quite a large number of visitations in his immense Jurisdiction. He urged that a determined effort be made to induce non-affiliates to affiliate at once.

On behalf of Grand Lodge, a handsome chain collar was presented to the Junior Past Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother R. HILL MYERS; and a beautiful diamond-studded bar, for his Past Master's jewel, was presented to Right Worshipful Brother J. J. DUNLOP, on behalf of his mother Lodge, Ionic, No. 25.

Number of Lodges, including four under dispensation, 81 or 82 (both numbers are given); initiated, 454; total membership, 4274, a gain of 463. Receipts, including balance, were \$7348.26; disbursements, \$5571.15; balance, \$1777.11.

We wish the Grand Secretary would in all cases give the first name of every officer of the Grand Lodge, and not simply the initial.

No report on Correspondence.

Most Worshipful Reverend Brother A. CHISHOLM, of Macgregor, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother JAMES A. OVAS, of Winnipeg, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



## MARYLAND—1903.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Maryland held its Two Hundred and Thirty-third Stated (the Semi-annual) Communication in the Masonic Temple, Baltimore, on Tuesday, May 12, A.D. 1903.

Most Worshipful Brother THOMAS J. SHRYOCK, Grand Master.

The death of Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother CHARLES H. OHR, M.D., was announced, and a very interesting sketch of his Masonic career is given, his portrait forming the frontispiece. The Brother was most active and efficient in arousing the Craft, after the depressing days of the Anti-Masonic excitement, and no one will be surprised that an appropriation was made by Grand Lodge toward a suitable monument for this faithful Craftsman.

Attention was called to the retirement of "Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, Father Medairy," after forty years of service, and the action of the Grand Master in granting him the privilege of retiring upon his laurels was heartily endorsed. We had the pleasure of meeting Brother MEDAIRY in 1887, just before the Centennial of the Grand Lodge of Maryland. We are glad to have his portrait, which is given, as is also that of his successor, Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM M. ISAAC.

The One Hundred and Seventeenth Annual Communication was held on Tuesday, November 17. Our venerable Brother MEDAIRY was able to be present, and after Grand Lodge had been opened, and the Grand Master duly received according to the Maryland custom, the Grand Secretary, with our friend, Past Grand Master CARTER, entered the Grand Lodge, and was received with the Grand Honors, and then the Grand Master proceeded to the altar, escorted the Grand Secretary to his place in the Grand East, and delivered an appropriate address. Brother MEDAIRY was then elected Grand

Secretary Emeritus, with continued annual salary for the remainder of his life. A very interesting letter by Brother MEDAIREY expressive of his appreciation of the many courtesies he had received in his forty years of service was read.

The presence of the Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, Brother E. D. SCHULTZ, who was absent last year on account of his golden wedding, was referred to by the Grand Master, and the Brother addressed Grand Lodge in an interesting manner.

A note by the Grand Secretary tells us that the application for recognition made by the Grand Master of Egypt will be reported favorably at the Communication in May, 1904. We should like to know if the Grand Lodge of Egypt is really a *sovereign* Grand Lodge.

We are very much in hopes that Grand Secretary ISAAC will, for the benefit of the writers of the report on Correspondence, give somewhere a summary of the statistics of the year, and not make us compile the figures.

Number of Lodges, about 105; initiations in six months, 491; total membership, 9437, a gain of 315 in six months. We decline to make up a financial statement.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is Brother SCHULTZ's seventeenth, and it is, like its predecessors, interesting and instructive. He continues to be "an out-and-out perpetual jurisdictional advocate," and does not approve of "cubes;" "they are an innovation."

The arrangement of the lesser lights in Montana and in Maryland does not agree with our use. He quotes, under Montana: "'All three on the south side of the altar so that one will be at either end of the altar and the third placed so as to form the apex of a triangle of which the two near the altar form the base,'" and adds: "With us these Lights are placed in front of the altar and midway between it and the East, and we can see no reason why this is not their proper position."

From his long experience, we are glad to have our



Brother's testimony "that a cipher ritual is not a *necessary*, but an *unmitigated* 'evil.' "

Pennsylvania for 1902 is reviewed. We are a little amused to have Brother SCHULTZ remark that the purpose of the "Special" held November 5, 1902, is not stated in the Proceedings of 1902. He acknowledges the receipt of the "handsome memorial volume," of the Washington Sesquicentennial Anniversary Celebration, "which contains the full account of the interesting ceremony," and he gives an accurate summary of the celebration (saving that, confusing father and son, he gives this writer his father's title).

Grand Master TENNIS's address is quoted from, and his remarks on electioneering are heartily endorsed.

Had our dear Brother SCHULTZ been able to use his eyes, we do not think his report would say that our report on Correspondence is a "joint production, although this writer is the only one quoted." We may say that for several years after the death of Past Grand Master VAUX, there were several "joint productions," some of which we assisted in producing; but the day the late Grand Master WILLIAMS was installed, St. John the Evangelist's Day, 1899, he paid this writer the compliment of asking him to undertake, as had been the custom formerly, the production of the whole report, which he has done ever since.

Brother SCHULTZ concludes by saying that he does "not *want* to see Masonic ceremonies performed in public as practised by our Pennsylvania brother," the point of which we are afraid we do not see.

Most Worshipful Brother THOMAS J. SHRYOCK, of Baltimore, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM M. ISAAC, of Baltimore, Grand Secretary.



## MASSACHUSETTS—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in union with the Most Ancient and Honorable Grand Lodges in Europe and America, according to the Old Constitutions, held a Quarterly Communication at the Masonic Temple, Boston, on Wednesday, September 9, A.D. 1903.

Most Worshipful Brother BAALIS SANFORD, Grand Master.

Attention was called to a case of a Scotchman long a resident of Massachusetts, and a rejected petitioner to a Lodge there, who went to Scotland, where he was made a Mason. As Recording Grand Secretary NICKERSON says, "The only means of redress and of protecting the jurisdiction of our own Lodges seemed to be the refusal of recognition and admission of persons claiming to have been made in violation of our regulations."

In view of the activity of spurious Lodges, and as a "most useful and efficient safe-guard against the recognition of cowans and eavesdroppers," it was unanimously voted,—

"That this Grand Lodge earnestly recommends to the Grand Lodges throughout the country the adoption of a regulation requiring of every visiting Brother the production of a Grand Lodge certificate as a preliminary to examination; and that the Grand Secretary be authorized to request that in all other jurisdictions orders may be issued requiring the production of such a certificate from all Brethren hailing from Massachusetts, as a preliminary to the compliance with all local regulations now existing."

At the December Quarterly, the ninth day, the Grand Master read his annual address, showing a careful and vigorous administration of the duties of his station. He reported the death of Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother

SAMUEL WELLS, and later a memorial was presented and unanimously adopted, which paid fitting tribute to this distinguished Brother, whose engraved portrait we are glad to see.

We do not recall having before noticed that in Massachusetts only the Grand Master is entitled "Most Worshipful," the Past Grand Masters not being so entitled. This is the usage in Scotland.

Many of the visitations made by the Grand Master were of more than usual interest. One was a special meeting of St. John's Lodge in the Temple, at Boston, when the officers of Fitzroy Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of London (who belonged to the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of London), visiting in Boston at that time, conferred the third degree "in accordance with the English ritual and in full regalia."

Number of Lodges, including three in Chile and one in China, 236, with three working under dispensation in China; initiated, 2804; total membership, 45,307, a gain of 1892. Receipts, including balance, were \$86,762.25; disbursements, \$86,362.26; balance, \$399.99. The "Charity Fund" now amounts to \$221,121.96, a gain of \$9614.20.

The Lodge of St. Andrew, generous as usual, donated \$500 to the Masonic Education and Charity Trust. We greatly regretted our inability to be present at the two hundred and forty-eighth anniversary of this Lodge on St. Andrew's Day.

The debt on the Temple has been reduced \$25,000, to \$375,000.

In contrast with the 860 individual and 7750 representative votes cast at our December Quarterly, at the annual election, the 422 votes cast in Massachusetts seem small in number. Some way must soon be found to limit the number who may be present at our annual election, as there is not sufficient room to accommodate those now entitled to be present.

At the Stated Communication, December 29, for "the



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purpose of installing the Grand Officers and celebrating the Feast of Saint John the Evangelist," we notice the following, which seems to show that our Brethren do not have a fixed form for installation:

"The official obligation having been administered, the ceremony was continued very nearly in the form used at the installation in 1902."

The celebration of the Feast was evidently as enjoyable as ever, and we are glad to see that our genial and scholarly friend and Brother, Past Grand Master GALLAGHER, was present to add to the enjoyment of the Craft. It was our great pleasure in October to see Brother GALLAGHER (whose visit to us at the time of the Washington Sesqui-centennial Anniversary Celebration was so delightful to us), and to accept fraternal and other courtesies, and with him as sponsor to attend a meeting of Eleusis Lodge, where we found an old friend whom we had not known to be a Mason, Brother CLEVELAND A. CHANDLER, the efficient Secretary. We were also courteously received by Past Grand Master Brother SERENO D. NICKERSON, Recording Grand Secretary.

Most Worshipful Brother BAALIS SANFORD, of Brockton, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother SERENO D. NICKERSON, of Boston, Recording Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## MICHIGAN—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Michigan began its Sixtieth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Lansing, on Tuesday, January 26, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother ROSCOE W. BROUGHTON, Grand Master.



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The address of the Grand Master gives an excellent account of his stewardship, and shows that the year had been one of the most prosperous Michigan Masonry has ever known. Death, however, had claimed three distinguished members of Grand Lodge,—Grand Secretary CONOVER, Past Grand Master DURAND, and Past Grand Lecturer CLARK. Beautiful memorials were presented, and portraits of these Craftsmen are given; and the portrait of the retiring Grand Master, who was presented with a Past Grand Master's jewel, forms the frontispiece of the handsome Proceedings. We are glad that the Grand Master's decision did not allow the conferring of "the honorary degree of Past Master," and we agree that "some other method not contrary to the usages and customs of Masonry should be employed in honoring deserving Brethren."

Number of Lodges, 393; raised, 3239; total membership, 49,724, a gain of 2344. Receipts, including balance, were \$45,305.97; disbursements, \$8414.31; balance, \$36,891.66. Later disbursements left a balance of \$23,682.82.

The vacancy caused by the lamented death of Grand Secretary JEFFERSON S. CONOVER was filled by the appointment of Past Grand Master WINSOR, who then resigned his position as Grand Lecturer, which was happily filled by the selection of Past Grand Master LODGE; and with such efficient officials we expect to see no lagging in Michigan.

At the close of the year the Masonic Home had eleven less beneficiaries than at the beginning, there being forty-three men and nine women, a total of fifty-two. The average cost per week was \$3.28, or five cents more than last year.

A careful report of the special committee on the application of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico recommended further delay and examination, and their report was adopted.

An unusual proceeding was the administering by the Grand Master of a reprimand to a Brother, in pursuance of the action taken in Grand Lodge the previous year.

The report on Correspondence is by the Grand Secretary,

Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother Lou B. WINSOR, who tells us that he has used the scissors more extensively than the pen, in the endeavor to establish his modesty among his brother correspondents of the round table in Sister Jurisdictions. Now that he has done that, we shall hope for a freer expression of his views next year. We found him rarely expressing himself in the way of comment or criticism, comparatively little attention being given to reports on Correspondence. His report will interest the Brethren, and his work is well done. His impressions of the large committees which our Georgia Brethren rejoice (?) in, are similar to ours; we wonder how business is done with such a large membership of committees.

Upon one matter he does express himself strongly:

“ We claim that we have the same right to prevent a Mason residing in Michigan from joining a lodge in Ohio or Kansas that we have to regulate and forbid lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction from receiving petitions from residents of Ohio or Kansas to receive the degrees. As long as a Mason continues his membership in the fraternity, we claim to exercise the right of compelling him to abide by reasonable rules and regulations, and a brother with a dimit still remains a member of the fraternity, with a certificate of good character in his possession. With the withdrawal card he stands the same as though he had never been a member of the fraternity, with the exception that should he afterwards desire to become an active member again, he has the privilege of applying to the lodge that issued the withdrawal certificate for reinstatement.”

We differ very decidedly, and are glad we did not see light Masonically first in Michigan. An *unaffiliated* Master Mason may join a Lodge wherever his Brethren are willing to receive him.

Pennsylvania for 1902 and for 1903 are well summarized.



A long extract and several shorter ones are made from Grand Master TENNIS's addresses. Referring to our inference that the invitations to our Washington celebration had not been received by three Michigan Brethren to whom they were sent, and our regret at not having the pleasure of meeting more of our Brethren of the Reportorial Corps, Brother WINSOR says,—

“ We are extremely sorry that we were not Grand Secretary at that time, as we would have been pretty sure to have availed ourselves of such an opportunity, had we received an invitation.”

Our Brother, noticing the similarity in the addresses of the Grand Masters of Quebec and Prince Edward Island, which we showed in our report last year, feels constrained to comment that the Grand Master of Prince Edward Island is “ certainly not averse to saving wear and tear on ‘ mental cultivation’ in originality.”

We take it that it was a slip which made the types say that a “ Past Master's” jewel was presented to Grand Master TENNIS on his retirement, instead of a Past Grand Master's jewel.

Most Worshipful Brother FLETCHER E. TURRELL, of Bel-  
laire, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother LOU B. WIN-  
SOR, of Reed City, Grand Secretary.

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### MINNESOTA—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota began its Fifty-first Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, in the City of St. Paul, on Wednesday, January 20, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.



Most Worshipful Brother HENRY R. ADAMS, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is well conceived, and is eloquent in its introduction. We may say also that it is up to the Iowa standard in poetry. The Grand Master paid tribute to the memories of Past Grand Master GOVE and Past Deputy Grand Master RIGBY. He commends the work of the Committee on Correspondence:

“These committees in our Grand Lodge are among the brightest men in the Fraternity.”

The proposal to pay the District Deputy Grand Masters mileage and per diem was strongly advocated, and we should think it would be a very wise plan.

The Grand Orator, Brother JOHN C. BENNETT, delivered an interesting oration, which we are told “held his audience spell-bound for over half an hour.”

Number of Lodges, 239; initiated, 1326; total membership, 19,474, a gain of 932. Receipts, including balance, were \$24,954; disbursements, \$12,869.07; balance, \$12,084.93. The Widows' and Orphans' Fund now amounts to \$27,083.32; \$2335 was expended for relief of twenty-three persons.

From a carefully prepared report on the subject of a Masonic Home, we quote what is said about ours:

“The ‘Masonic Home of Pennsylvania’ was incorporated by interested Masons, in 1884, and while not controlled by, works in absolute harmony with, the Grand Lodge. Its object is to care for Masons, their widows and orphans, but at present it is only caring for the former. It is located in Philadelphia, with a frontage of 200 feet on Broad street, by 150 feet deep, and cost \$56,000. Its capacity is for 75 inmates. At present there are 64 being cared for,—all men, as before noted. The per capita cost of maintenance, last

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year, was \$250. It is supported by certain charges made for the care of inmates, to be paid by the Masonic body, or member, through which they reach the home; by dues of members of the corporation; by contributions from Grand Masonic bodies and others, and the income from \$95,000 in a permanent fund. The contributions from the Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery, last year, were \$1,000 each. Memberships cost \$100, with \$10 annually for dues, or \$250 without dues. Annual contributors are provided for at \$5.00 per year, without vote in the management. Admissions are made upon the nomination of a lodge holding membership or an individual member, but not more than one from the same source, if others are awaiting an opportunity to enter. There is required a payment of a graduated amount into the home funds, in case of admission, of from \$500 when the inmate is under fifty years of age, to \$100 when over seventy,—the amount varying with the age at entrance every five years. The annual increase in number of inmates the last five years has been about 20 per cent.

“Recently provision was offered, by the liberality of Brother William L. Elkins, now deceased, for a ‘Home for Masons’ Orphan Girls,’ to be under the control of said Masonic Home of Pennsylvania, who gave forty-three acres of land and money for the erection of the necessary buildings. It will also be situated in Philadelphia, and upon Broad street, though farther out.”

The report shows that the Brethren are not ready to undertake the project; the committee suggested two plans for consideration, but the matter was indefinitely postponed.

Western Australia was recognized.

A proposition to make Brother GEORGE R. METCALF a permanent member of Grand Lodge, in recognition of his eminent services to the Craft, was not approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, but it was ordered that his portrait and a biographical sketch be printed in the Proceedings.



Brother METCALF was unwilling to have that expense incurred, the Grand Secretary explains, as his portrait had been printed in the appendix to the Proceedings of 1899, in connection with the proceedings of the Masonic Veterans' Association.

The portrait of the retiring Grand Master forms the frontispiece.

We note that in Grand Secretary MONTGOMERY's table of Grand Masters, he gives the name of Brother TENNIS instead of that of Brother JAMES W. BROWN.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother IRVING TODD, who summarizes excellently and clips judiciously, naturally giving much of what others say about Minnesota, which we take it is what the Brethren of Minnesota want, and the report is primarily for them. We are glad to say that this year, we have, to quote Brother HODSON, of Oregon, "a little more Todd."

We do not agree with our Brother in thinking that "none but Masonic prefixes should be found in Masonic proceedings;" we believe that the Brethren of the clergy should be designated by their ecclesiastical titles.

Brother TODD says, under New South Wales,—

"That 'masonry is a progressive science' is illustrated by the two fads, prohibition and masonic homes, that are making the rounds of our American grand lodges. Minnesota has the one, but it is to be hoped that it will be spared the expensive luxury of the other. Our system of relief is upon the same lines as that of New South Wales, as Bro. Moon would have found by referring to the report of the committee on appropriations, and it has proven eminently satisfactory for a number of years.

"The comments upon big lodges are sound. In our own opinion when the membership is so large that a brother needs a personal introduction in his own lodge it is time to swarm."



Pennsylvania for 1902 is well presented. Of our Washington celebration and its Memorial Volume, Brother TODD says,—

“The celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the initiation of Bro. George Washington into the fraternity was held at Philadelphia, Nov. 5th, with a large attendance of distinguished craftsmen from sixteen jurisdictions, including the president of the United States, the governor of the state, and a dozen grand masters. An oration upon Washington as a Freemason, a valuable historical paper, was delivered by Bro. J. M. Lamberton, and there were a great number of addresses both in the lodge room and at the subsequent elaborate banquet, which are given in full in a handsome memorial volume, profusely illustrated, and a triumph of the printer’s art. We are indebted to the committee for a personal copy, which has been duly examined with interest.”

From our “courteous review of Minnesota,” our Brother quotes a number of paragraphs. Brother TODD agrees that our eyes did not deceive us with regard to the number of the Winona Lodge.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM A. MCGONAGLE, of Duluth, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother THOMAS MONTGOMERY, of St. Paul, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### MISSISSIPPI—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Mississippi, Free and Accepted Masons, began its Eighty-sixth Annual Communication in the City of Greenville, on Thursday, February 18, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother EMMET N. THOMAS, Grand Master.

Past Grand Master HARRISON is still recorded, among the Grand Representatives present, as being the Representative of our Grand Lodge, although he is omitted from the general list on page 149. In Mississippi it seems Representatives have "exequators" (*sic*).

It appears that England has resumed the practice of exchanging Representatives with other Grand Lodges. We mentioned above that our inquiry upon this matter, addressed weeks ago to Grand Secretary LETCHWORTH, has not received that Brother's reply.

Before Grand Lodge was opened, there was a public reception in the court-room by a number of the citizens of Greenville, and an address of welcome on behalf of the citizens and Brethren was made by Brother BRILL, and responded to by Senior Grand Warden SISSON, both speeches being eloquent.

The address of the Grand Master is brief, showing a zealous Brother. He referred to the death of two Past Grand Masters, Most Worshipful Brothers JOHN L. SPINKS and JOHN RILEY, and due honor was paid to their memories: portraits are also given, and the portrait of the retiring Grand Master forms the frontispiece.

As last year, Past Grand Master BARKLEY was seriously ill, and prayer was offered for his recovery. A resolution of sympathy and condolence with Mrs. Walker was adopted, it having been announced that Past Deputy Grand Master WALKER had passed away.

Number of Lodges, including five under dispensation, 301; raised, 694; total membership, 11,457, a gain of 491. Receipts, including balance, \$20,719.92; disbursements, \$8602.06; balance, \$12,117.86. The Grand Lodge Relief Fund disbursed \$562.

A pleasant occurrence was the presentation to the Grand Master, on behalf "of the Honorable, the Board of Supervisors of Lauderdale County," of "a costly and elegant trowel," which it had been intended he should use when he



laid the corner-stone of the new court-house of the county, but which had not arrived in time.

The report of the Committee on the State of the Craft was of unusual interest, and shows an excellent condition of affairs.

Western Australia was recognized.

It was decided to join the National Relief Association of the United States and Canada.

While the District Deputy Grand Master system has been adopted in Mississippi, the best results are not obtained, from the lack of means to properly pay the expenses of those Brethren.

It strikes us as odd to see in the proceedings of a Masonic Grand Lodge a resolution about a warrant being granted for a sum of money in favor of "Sister" J. J. G.

"Messages of love and greeting" were ordered sent to the Grand Lodges of England and Scotland, which have just exchanged Representatives with Mississippi.

The Grand Master requested Past Grand Master SPEED to close the Grand Lodge. "The Fraternal Chain was formed, and while the brethren stood with clasped hands, Brother Speed reminded them that it could never again be formed, for the last summons would doubtless come to some who stood within that Mystic Circle before the Grand Lodge would be opened again."

A number of Emergent Communications were held for different purposes, and interesting accounts of some of the occasions are given. At the placing in position of "the foundation stone" of the new Capital at Jackson, Past Grand Master MCCOLL delivered the address, and in speaking of eminent Masons said, "Benjamin Franklin, the greatest man that ever lived, was Grand Master of Pennsylvania Masons."

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother ANDREW H. BARKLEY, who gives interesting extracts, and sums up briefly the more noteworthy occurrences. He is not given



to much comment. With regard to the title of "Most Reverend" given to the Grand Chaplain in Mississippi, which seemed to attract the notice of a number of the writers of these reports, our Brother said, under Louisiana,—

"We shall not undertake to explain this, but leave it with the Louisiana committee to enjoy their own opinion about it, suffice it to say, it has read that way for eighty-six years in our constitution, and was probably a legacy from Kentucky and Tennessee, which gave birth to our first Lodges. It is still employed by Kentucky and the first time the Grand Chaplain is mentioned by his title, in the Tennessee proceedings, that was his designation."

Referring to the decision of the Committee on Law and Jurisprudence, that one of illegitimate birth could not be made a Mason, which had been criticised by Brother VANDERLIETH, of Nevada, who said, "Strike such injustice down," Brother BARKLEY said,—

"The judgment of the Law Committee still prevails in this jurisdiction, and we see no reason why we should change the law, which is founded upon a law which existed before any Grand Lodge."

He still agrees with us in failing utterly to see "the connection between Masonry and the flag, what great lesson in Masonry is symbolized by it; what new rule of obedience to the tenets does its presence bring to the minds of the zealous Mason."

A page is given to Pennsylvania for 1902, the review beginning:

"The Proceedings of this Grand Lodge are always full to overflowing with 'good news,' 'glad tidings of great joy,' which swells the heart with joy, and thanksgiving at the

noble deeds of the donors of their earthly substance to the cause of humanity and Freemasonry. Years ago R. . . W. . . THOMAS R. PATTON, Grand Treasurer, founded the THOMAS R. PATTON Memorial Charity Fund, which has grown to the sum of \$57,375.52. At this session of the Grand Lodge he gave in securities \$42,624.48, which added to his former gift, makes the handsome sum of \$100,000. These gifts proclaim far and wide this Grand truth, 'By their deeds ye shall know them.' And here we record, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' This munificent gift was accepted by the Grand Lodge with its heart-felt thanks to the donor."

From Grand Master TENNIS's address some thoughts are quoted "which are worthy of preservation," and it is recorded that the Grand Master "deals heavy blows against intemperance and profanity." Our report is "a well-written document and should hold an honorable place in Masonic literature."

Most Worshipful Brother THOMAS UPTON SISSON, of Winona, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother FREDERIC SPEED, of Vicksburg, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## MISSOURI—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Missouri began its Eighty-fourth Annual Communication in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, St. Louis, on Tuesday, September 27, A.D. 1904, and closed two days later.

Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM F. KUHN, Acting Grand Master.

The volume of the Proceedings opens with a portrait and biographical sketch of the late Most Worshipful Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary Reverend Brother JOHN DAVIS



VINCIL, D.D., who died October 12, 1904, after having served most faithfully and efficiently as Grand Secretary since 1877.

On August 13 preceding his death, the Golden Jubilee of Brother VINCIL on his fiftieth anniversary as Master Mason was celebrated in a most fitting manner, and a very beautiful Past Grand Master's jewel (a picture of which is most interesting) and a purse of gold were presented to that greatly loved and esteemed Brother during a banquet which succeeded a reception at the Masonic Temple, at which time loving tributes were fittingly paid. It was right that in his lifetime he should know what his Brethren thought of him.

We have also a portrait of the retiring Grand Master and a sketch of his career by his old friend and Brother, Past Grand Master DEWEY, of Kansas, which is written with all the affection of a true friend.

Previous to the opening of Grand Lodge the children from the Masonic Home entertained the members delightfully.

Brother JOHN T. HICKS, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Arkansas; Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters Brothers BESTOR G. BROWN, of Kansas, and HENRY H. INGERSOLL, of Tennessee, and the Reverend Brother J. C. W. COXE, D.D., Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, were welcome visitors.

The address of the Grand Master, while very long, is able, practical, sensible, and to us one of the most interesting we have read for some time. Our Brother has a delightful sense of humor, surely a saving grace, though not necessary in this case.

He records the death of Grand Chaplain DEANE, "a man of brilliant attainments, whose influence was felt for the good of humanity in the church, in the community and in the Fraternity."

The "moon Lodges," as our Grand Master HENDERSON once called them, had trouble because, as Grand Master KUHN says, "in December the moon got 'full' too soon."



The Grand Master referred to his visit with the Grand Master of Colorado to Kansas, when he “found himself in the double roll of mother and grandmother.”

We cannot agree with Brother KUHN in his views of “physical perfection,” but, as we have given our views on that subject not infrequently, it is not necessary to say more at this time.

The Grand Master called attention to the lack of uniformity in the use of the titles, such as “Grand Senior” and “Senior Grand,” and it was settled that the “Grand” should precede the “Senior” and the “Junior” in every case; that is, as to Wardens, Deacons, and Stewards, the Grand Master having observed that “Such confusion in nomenclature is conducive to sick headache and bad dreams.” Our opinion is that, as we have a Deputy Grand Master and not a Grand Deputy Master, Senior Grand Warden and Senior Grand Deacon would be more logical, especially as in the Lodges of some Jurisdictions there used to be a Deputy Master.

Referring to the manner of giving the Grand Honors, Brother KUHN mentions that he has

“been received with the Royal Arch Grand Honors, the Grand Lodge Grand Honors, and several times with the Funeral Grand Honors. The latter may have been appropriate, but to me, were a little unseemly and previous. After my successor is elected and installed, it might not be so objectionable to me.”

After speaking of what had come to his notice in his visitations with regard to the Lodges, he says,—

“I have also seen a ‘valley of dry bones,’ where the voice of prophecy will never be heard, there will be no noise or a shaking, and bone will never meet his fellow bone. A valley of bones; no enthusiasm, no labor, no zeal. A few large watch-charms, a few high degrees, a firm faith in the glory

of our antiquity; nothing else; ‘Nothing but bones; nothing but bones.’ ”

Number of Lodges, including ten new ones, 569; initiated, 3107; total membership, 39,080, a gain of 1704. Receipts, including balance, were \$72,793.22; disbursements, \$32,037.41; balance, \$40,755.81.

An unusual incident was the presentation to Right Worshipful Brother ALLAN McDOWELL of a very handsome gold-headed cane, in recognition of his lifelong and faithful services to Grand Lodge.

The beloved Grand Secretary was unable to be present, and when the election of a Grand Secretary was in order, the Grand Master asked “all the Brethren who were in favor of the election of Brother Vincil, who was seriously ill at his home, as *Grand Secretary by acclamation*, to rise to their feet,” whereupon every member present rose to his feet, and Brother FRANK VINCIL was delegated to convey the news to his father.

The Grand Master, after returning his thanks for courtesies shown to him, and after saying “that nothing exists in our Jurisdiction by which the Grand Master may be designated in his journeys over the State,” presented to Grand Lodge a beautiful Grand Master’s jewel, a picture of which is given, and pinned it upon the coat of the incoming Grand Master as the first one to wear it, asking that he transmit it to his successor.

Recognition was voted to the following: Queensland, Costa Rica, The Three Globes, Germany, Royal York, Saxony, Eclectic Union, Zur Sonne, Zur Eintracht of Concord, Denmark at Copenhagen, Sweden at Stockholm, Norway at Christiania, and Netherlands (Holland).

The following were not recognized: The Grand Lodges of Hamburg, Hungary, Alpina (Switzerland), Grand Orient of Belgium, Grand Orient of Italy, and Grand Lodge of Peru.



A committee was appointed to prepare and report an appropriate and suitable design for a Past Grand Master's jewel.

The Grand Orator, Brother WILLIAM R. GENTRY, delivered the oration, taking for his theme the prayer of Solomon at the dedication of the Temple.

The report on Correspondence is the twenty-seventh, and, alas! the last, by Grand Secretary VINCIL, who labored under great difficulties to prepare his usual able and almost always practically entirely *written* report, he apologizing for making so many clippings.

It is pathetic to see, time and time again, how he is striving to do his work, when he is not physically able to do it as he desired to see it done.

It was undoubtedly due to his ill condition that Brother VINCIL, in his review of Illinois, stated that recognition was given to the following Grand Lodges, whereas the fact is that the report of Brother ROBBINS, recommending that recognition be *not* extended, was adopted: Grand Lodge of Norway (at Christiania), Grand Lodge of Sweden (at Stockholm), Grand National Lodge of Denmark (at Copenhagen), Grand Lodge of the Republic of Peru, Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico (at Mexico), National Grand Lodge of Spain (at Madrid), National Grand Lodge of Egypt (at Cairo), Symbolic Grand Lodge of Hungary (at Budapest), Grand Lodge of Saxony (at Dresden), Grand Lodge of the Eclectic Union (at Frankfort on the Main), Grand Lodge of Prussia (at Berlin), Grand National Lodge of Freemasons of Germany (at Berlin), Grand Lodge of The Three Globes (at Berlin), Grand Lodge of Switzerland (at Berne), and Grand Lodge of Holland (at The Hague).

Our Brother's report is a fine one, in spite of the drawbacks under which it was prepared.

Under Oklahoma, he says,—

“Any one who has watched the course of the Missouri writer on Correspondence since our Grand Lodge adopted



the 'Cripple Law' will join in my defense, and resent the charge that I 'suggest an artificial appliance so prepared that the grip can be given by proxy.' Never, no never, Brother Hunt, has any one ever found a syllable or word, from my lips or pen, favoring 'artificial appliances.' "

Last year our dear Brother explained why there was "No comment made upon a certain report on Correspondence," and this year we see that he again makes no comment upon the report of the same Jurisdiction, though full review is given of the proceedings.

Pennsylvania for 1903 receives five and a half pages of generous notice. The address of Grand Master TENNIS "covers some 31 pages of most interesting matter. It is refined and elevating in character, displaying the charm of diction and thought rarely met with in such documents." "There is a reverent sentiment pervading the Address which is charming." Referring to the fact that Grand Master TENNIS had reported "that he had directed Lodge No. 226 to perform the Masonic Burial Service over the remains of M. W. Bro. JOHN C. YOCUM, Grand Master of Missouri," Brother VINCIL adds: "The Grand Lodge of Masons of Missouri appreciates very fully the kind and Fraternal Spirit manifested by our Pennsylvania Brethren."

Our report is briefly referred to, "so much time and space having been devoted to the business transactions of that Grand Lodge," that Brother VINCIL was "compelled to forego the pleasure of a close examination and thorough review" of this writer's work, but he expresses his thanks for our cordial treatment of his work, and commended to "our Fraternal and Paternal consideration his son John D. Vincil, Jr., who has received Masonic Light in a Philadelphia Lodge." We shall hope to have the pleasure of meeting Brother VINCIL's son.

Most Worshipful Brother LEROY B. VALLIANT, of St. Louis, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JOHN R. PARSON, of St. Louis, Grand Secretary.

## MONTANA—1903.

THE Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Montana began its Thirty-ninth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Helena, on Wednesday, September 16, A.D. 1903, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother FRANK E. SMITH, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master is a practical paper. We are surprised to see that, to the question as to the fitness of a party who has lost his right thumb to receive the degrees, he held that it was a matter which rested entirely with the Lodge having jurisdiction of the candidate. Possibly the Lodge, recognizing the impropriety of admitting such a "party," asked the Grand Master about it, hoping that he would take the responsibility of allowing such a maimed "party" to be admitted to the Fraternity.

Having to "stage it" for a hundred miles before he could reach the railroad, the Grand Master is to be credited for his extensive visitations.

The death of Past Grand Master GOULD was announced, and a page is inscribed to his memory. Grand Secretary HEDGES gives also a sketch of the life, together with the portrait, of the late Brother HEZEKIAH L. HOSMER, who was Grand Secretary 1870-1872, he having died October 31, 1903.

In his thirty-second annual report, Grand Secretary HEDGES refers to his "long and well-nigh fatal illness." We rejoice to know that he has, after a most critical time, been restored in a measure to good health, though the rheumatism, like the poor, is always, and "stiff neck" is sometimes, with him. His return to the fiftieth anniversary of his graduation at Yale, and to his old home (he confesses to being "a N. E. Puritan Yankee"), did him great good. We regret that we did not know that Brother HEDGES was a member of the



“famous Class of '53” at Yale, for, being ourself a member of the “famous-Class of '78,” we were at New Haven at the same time as our Brother, attending the Quarter Centenary Reunion of our Class, and, had we known of his presence, it would have been a pleasure to see and greet him.

The testimonial voted last year to the retiring Grand Master took the form of a silver tea-set, with waiter, a smoking set, and a loving-cup, suitably engraved.

The presence of Most Worshipful Brother SANDERS, with one exception the oldest living Past Grand Master, was very gratifying to the Brethren, and before Grand Lodge closed he gave some interesting reminiscences.

It seems that a Past Grand Master in Montana, when he comes into the Grand Lodge, is received like any other Brother. In the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, a Past Grand Master is admitted alone, and the Grand Lodge is called up to receive him.

Number of Lodges, including two under dispensation, 51; initiated, 301; total membership, 3780, a gain of 227. Receipts, including balance, were \$11,438.41; disbursements, \$5352.66; balance, \$6085.75.

It is estimated that the portion of the estate of the late Brother DAVID AUCHARD, which was willed to the Grand Lodge for a Home, will amount to about one hundred thousand dollars. This brings in sight the accomplishment of a project long favored by some of our Brethren, and a committee was appointed to take the matter in hand.

A testimonial was ordered for the retiring Grand Master, whose portrait we have. A very interesting Special Communication was held at Gardiner, on April 24, 1903, to lay the corner-stone of the Memorial Arch at the entrance to the National Park, at which the President of the United States, Brother THEODORE ROOSEVELT, assisted and made the address. After the address, the Grand Master presented to the President a handsome gold nugget Masonic charm suitably inscribed. We have an excellent portrait of Brother



ROOSEVELT, and a picture of the Arch, which has an inscription upon it, "For the Benefit and Enjoyment of the People."

The report on Fraternal Correspondence is the thirty-third one prepared by the present "Reviewer," who is the Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother CORNELIUS HEDGES, the able and efficient Grand Secretary. Our Committee consists of five Brethren, while that of Montana consists of three, but in Pennsylvania, as in Montana, the report is prepared by one Brother, that, with the exceptions of the years 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, and 1899, having been the usage in Pennsylvania for many years.

Brother HEDGES is still voting for Brother GREENLEAF, of Colorado, for Poet Laureate of Masonry, and we agree; but he has come to the conclusion "that if uniformity of work is essential, a cipher ritual issued and owned by the Grand Lodge, is essential," and we most emphatically differ. In the kindness of his heart he does not like "almshouses" for the places where a Grand Lodge supports and makes "happy and contented" aged Brethren; and is still optimistic, saying that "rheumatism cannot quench his optimism," and he expects to "live to see many things, such as the redemption of Palestine, the union of all Masons on the common platform of God and immortality, peace and good will among all branches of the Brotherhood."

As usual, Brother HEDGES's report is one of the best of the year, and, when he makes an extract, one may depend upon it that it is worth while.

Pennsylvania for 1902 receives more than three pages of review. Referring to our illustrations, he says, "A picture of the great Temple in Philadelphia, the finest in the world, fronts the title page." "Facing the initial page of the March Quarterly is one of the finest steel engravings of George Washington that can be made." Of our Washington celebration, he says,—

“Of the events of that celebration, Pennsylvania has issued a magnificent special volume and thus embalmed the memory for future generations. Of that volume and its treasures in speech and illustration it is impossible to speak in stinted phrase. It is a work of art in itself and Pennsylvania has placed us all under obligations which it will be hard to repay. It is generally understood that among Masons in this country Pennsylvania Masons are peculiar, but all must admit that its peculiarities in many respects do it great credit and we are all the richer for them.”

A number of quotations are made from “the lucid and comprehensive address” of Grand Master TENNIS, and the latter’s “words in reprobation of intemperance and profanity were wise and earnest.” Brother HEDGES says,—

“There are seven pages of decisions and they are not subject to reference or review. Pennsylvania believes in ‘prerogative’ pure and simple, as much as Catholics believe in the infallibility of the Pope. They choose a Grand Master in whose wisdom they can trust and their Grand Masters examine and reflect well before announcing a decision. He is the court of last resort. Decisions rendered under such responsibility deserve study, though with our ideas of constitutional limitation there are many we could not approve. He intimated that the subject of lodge elections may call for an edict, unless there is a change in methods of electioneering.

“On the whole it was a grand address, though he had been re-elected before it was delivered.

“The Library is well provisioned and is growing rapidly under the fostering care of Brother Rupp.

“Appeals are very rare and the rights of members zealously guarded. No names are given in these cases, nor are those named who receive benefactions.

“There is a steel engraving given of Past Grand Master Cornelius Stevenson, who served in 1843.

“In the Correspondence Department there is a syndicate



of authors, though the chief responsibility rested on Brother James M. Lamberton."

We have explained above that there has been no "syndicate of authors" in Pennsylvania since 1899.

Most Worshipful Brother H. S. HEPNER, of Helena, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother CORNELIUS HEDGES, of Helena, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### NEBRASKA—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska began its Forty-seventh Annual Communication in Freemasons' Hall, Omaha, on Wednesday, June 8, A.D. 1904, and closed two days later.

Most Worshipful Brother FRANK E. BULLARD, Grand Master.

We find it stated:

"After the Grand Lodge was declared open, the 'Star Spangled Banner' was brought in, the Grand Lodge arose and sang 'My country! 'Tis of thee.'"

The address of the Grand Master shows a somewhat strenuous year of work, zealously performed. The Grand Master regarded it as a "red letter event" in his administration that he was enabled to receive on behalf of the Grand Lodge a Masonic Home, "the fruition of the hopes of the survivors of the early days," and the dedication of the Home at Plattsmouth was the feature of the afternoon of the second day, a special train having taken the Brethren to that place.

It seems, from one of his decisions, that at least one Lodge in Nebraska was anxious to have work done speedily:



“That a lodge can hold but one meeting at one time and in one place, or in other words, a lodge cannot divide its membership and confer degrees in different rooms at the same time. That part in the regular place of meeting with the charter would be the only lawful body; the other would be clandestine and unlawful.”

Number of Lodges, including three under dispensation, 236; initiated, 1060; total membership, 14,190, a gain of 581. Receipts, including balance, were \$26,787.43; disbursements, \$13,460.61; balance, \$13,326.82. Two hundred dollars was donated to the flood sufferers in Kansas. From the Relief Fund there was paid out the sum of \$927.72. The cost of the Masonic Home from its organization in 1902 to May 1, 1904, was \$8308.50, there being cash, notes, etc., on hand amounting to \$9052.90.

The Grand Custodian, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother R. E. FRENCH, pays a glowing tribute to Grand Master BULLARD.

Telegraphic greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Iowa.

In Nebraska it appears that the oldest Mason in the Jurisdiction is entitled to wear a certain medal. On the death of Brother JAMES S. GIBSON, his son returned the medal to Grand Lodge, which turned it over to the incoming Grand Master, to be transferred to the oldest Mason in the State.

Brother WILLIAMSON S. SUMMERS “delivered the oration, as prepared by Grand Orator;” the thanks of the Grand Lodge were tendered to Brother SUMMERS, and he was requested to furnish a copy for publication, and the same is given in full. We are not sure from this statement whether Brother WILLIAMSON S. SUMMERS was the Grand Orator or not.

“A fragment of a rope which was part of the cord that was used in a bed that came over in the Mayflower” was

presented to Grand Lodge, just why is not very clear to us. (We are reminded of "The House that Jack built.")

We think the Grand Lodge wisely postponed recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico.

We have another excellent report on Foreign Correspondence from Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother CHARLES J. PHELPS, who culls interesting passages from addresses, reports, and decisions, for the information and edification of his Brethren.

"When it comes to making a vulgar show of Masonic regalia at a dance, in a ball room," Brother PHELPS well says, "we draw the line." He does not feel it necessary always to approve what his Grand Lodge does: "We can see no objection to the following: 'A person can petition for membership twenty-eight days previous to his twenty-first birthday,' although our Grand Lodge has held that he cannot." We agree with Brother PHELPS in this, as we do in his objection to the introduction of "modern methods" in Masonry.

Under Missouri, referring to a decision of the Grand Master, Brother PHELPS says,—

"However, he exercised a very questionable right in the following: 'I granted dispensations to reballot on candidates to six Lodges. In each of the six cases, it can be safely set down that the cause for reballoting was due to mistakes in some members casting the ballot, spite work or personal grievance.' This exercise of power, also, seems to be governed by regulations. The report reminds one of 'straining at a gnat and swallowing a camel.' But to be more explicit in statement, we are of opinion that granting a dispensation to ballot out of time ought to be and we think it is within the prerogative of a Grand Master; but to authorize a reballot in such cases, as the six above mentioned, is against all precedent, and an encroachment upon the rights of members to an extent not at all justifiable."



Under Washington, replying to Past Grand Master UPTON, he says,—

“Answering his inquiry as to when the word ‘subordinate’ as distinguished from ‘constituent’ was first used, we frankly say that we do not know. Our preference for the former arises from the fact, as we view it, that it correctly designates the true relation the lodge bears to the Grand Lodge.”

More than three pages are given to Pennsylvania for 1903, extracts being given from the report of our Committee on Masonic Homes and Grand Master TENNIS’s address.

That portion of our report relating to Nebraska received review, Brother PHELPS kindly writing:

“Nebraska, 1903, receives very fraternal consideration. Our Grand Master’s address, Brother Roscoe Pound’s oration, Deputy Grand Master Bullard’s remarks and report of his attending the Washington sesqui-centennial are all noted. He notes our not referring to the latter, and as an excuse we have to offer that at the time of closing our report, that year, we had not, as we since have, received the beautiful volume of the proceedings of that most interesting occasion, for which favor we feel greatly obliged. Certainly the occasion was a most important one, and was conducted upon a scale quite in keeping with the way our Pennsylvania brethren have of doing things. The Memorial Volume we shall highly prize, not only for its literary merit, but especially as with it the compliments of their Grand Master Tennis were received by this writer.

“It is a beautiful souvenir volume. It has been called ‘a triumph of the bookmaker’s art in every respect.’ Recorded in it are eloquent speeches by notable men, Bishop Potter, Governor Stone, President Roosevelt, and others. We are inclined to agree with what Brother Brown of South



Dakota says: 'By far the best address from our point of view was that of Brother James M. Lamberton. \* \* \* His theme was "Washington as a Freemason." Many Brethren have essayed this task before him with varying success, but for exhaustive research, fullness of detail and agreeable presentation this effort far surpasses anything of its kind we have hitherto known.' "

Brother PHELPS does not reply to our query of last year, "How a Grand Officer could be installed without being invested with the jewel of his station, is more than we can say; the one includes the other; and why state what is superfluous?"

Most Worshipful Brother CHARLES H. BURNHAM, of Norfolk, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother FRANCIS E. WHITE, of Omaha, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### NEVADA—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Nevada began its Fortieth Annual Grand Communication in the Masonic Hall, Virginia City, on Tuesday, June 14, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother TRENMOR COFFIN, Grand Master.

In the absence of the Grand Master, through severe illness, which has prevented him from making visitations during his whole term, his address was read by the Deputy Grand Master and Acting Grand Master, Right Worshipful Brother GEORGE GILLSON. It was necessarily brief. The Deputy Grand Master gave an account of his duties when acting for the Grand Master.

A telegram expressing the profound sorrow of the Grand Lodge for the absence of the Grand Master, and sympathizing

with him in his illness, was ordered sent to that unfortunate Brother, whose portrait forms the frontispiece.

Recognition of the Grant Orient Argentino del Rito Azul was deferred.

Number of Lodges, 21; initiated, 64; total membership, 985, a gain of 41. Receipts, including balance, were \$3135.73; disbursements, \$1202.76; balance, \$1932.97.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is the third by the Chairman, Brother E. D. VANDERLIETH, who more than maintains the reputation gained by his former reports. He selects matters of general interest, and comments freely, and we note a tendency to follow the example of the famous Mr. Silas Wegg. Our Brother thinks "if ever the time to help our Mexican Brethren is ripe, it is now," but we are not convinced; says "while the Romanists are wrong in condemning Masonry," "forgive the wrong, remit the penalty, and give them another trial;" and believes that a Brother "who is a student of the correspondence reports improves in Masonry."

With regard to the flag, he well says, under Iowa,—

"Masonry needs no display of flag to show that she inculcates at her altars the holy principles of liberty and patriotism. America and her flag owe a lasting debt of gratitude to Masonry. During the Revolution the councils of war were held in her lodge rooms and all the illustrious patriots were Masons. The aid and comfort given to the young nation by the craft are beyond the power of estimation. Like our forefathers, let us live patriotism and Masonry in our daily walks of life, and there will be no need of carrying the Star Spangled Banner in Masonic processions nor of displaying it in our lodge rooms."

He speaks forcibly of the use of the black ball, under New Hampshire, but favors cubes.

Under Wyoming, he tells us that for non-payment of dues,

“in the case of non-affiliates, we notify them to appear and show cause. If they fail, we suspend.” We do not understand how non-affiliates owe dues to Nevada Lodges.

Under South Africa we find the following:

“The Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Philadelphia, Pa., U. S. A., has granted a working dispensation to Ethiopia Lodge, South Africa. We know of no such lodge rightfully or worshipfully entitled to respect. Brother Wm. A. Sinn, of Philadelphia, Penn., is the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Write to him. You will find undoubtedly that it is a colored lodge with no Masonic standing in legitimate Masonry.”

Nearly five pages are given to Pennsylvania for 1903, the first paragraphs being as follows:

“An excellent engraving of R. · W. · Grand Master Edgar A. Tennis introduces this handsome volume bound in deep blue and lettered in gold.

“A special communication was held on April 27, 1903, in memoriam of Past Grand Master Michael Arnold. A distinguished citizen, a distinguished Mason, and a faithful servant of God. Truly a Grand Lodge who loses such a character loses a mighty pillar of the Temple. May the memory of his career help others to the lofty heights he so magnificently attained! Again on July 17, 1903, the Grand Lodge assembled in special communication to honor another prince among men and Masons, Past Grand Master Samuel C. Perkins.”

Grand Master TENNIS's address “presented the doings of a successful administration of a wise, efficient, and keenly energetic Grand Master. Beautiful thoughts, as well, adorn its pages.”

Some decisions receive favorable comment, others unfavor-



able. Grand Master BROWN receives approval: "We like the way the newly elected Grand Master Brother James W. Brown speaks up in his address."

Brother VANDERLIETH also says,—

"Greetings to Grand Chaplain Samuel P. Kelly! We of Nevada hold him in high esteem and the writer reverences him as his first pastor."

We may add that we of Pennsylvania likewise hold him in high esteem.

Our report is "an excellent one, full of wisely selected excerpts and interesting comments." Our Brother thinks, with Brother ROBBINS, that "descended of honest parents" means descended from those who are not thieves, refers to the trustworthiness of the parents, and quotes the phrase from the qualifications of a Grand Master, namely, "unless he has been a Fellow Craft before his election, who is also to be nobly born, or a Gentleman of the best Fashion, or some eminent Scholar, or some curious Architect, or other Artist, descended of honest Parents, and who is of singular great Merit in the Opinion of the Lodges." He then continues:

"Their use here shows that although a Brother, yet if not descended of honest parents, he cannot become Grand Master. Since his being made a Mason, his parents might have become dishonest, therefore he, a Mason, cannot become Grand Master. If they had referred to legitimacy of birth he could not have been a Brother, and of what use is the paragraph quoted? So think we, but view the words as you will, they are cruel, merciless, unjust, loveless, and therefore unmasonic, for Masonry is love, Masonry is justice, Masonry is Mercy, Masonry is kind. Under Maine our Brother asks 'How shall the ancient charges be altered?' Alter your interpretation of them, Brother. Instead of clinging tenaciously to the strictest view, let shine the light of love and mercy from the eye. That is Masonry. So did Christ. The old judicial

laws of the Jews read, Thou shalt give eye for eye, tooth for tooth. So read those ancient charges, but Christ altered them in the Sermon on the Mount. The strictness, the exactness, the revenge of the old laws were altered by love and mercy, and changed into the new. 'Blessed are the merciful; for they shall obtain mercy.' 'Love your enemies.' "

This sounds very well, but it does not apply. Freemasonry is not Christianity. Our Brother seems to think that if a Brother had served the Grand Lodge as a faithful and distinguished Brother, and that if that Brother's father some day should be found to be a defaulter, the son could not be made Grand Master! We do not so understand the regulations. We fail to see how an illegitimate person can be "descended of honest parents." We regard *legitimacy of birth* on a par with *freedom of birth*. We are aware that the Grand Lodge of England in 1847 changed "freeborn" to "free agent," or "freeman," as it is now in the form of application, or "declaration," printed in the Constitutions (edition of 1884) of that Grand Lodge to-day, although "freedom" is still printed in the "antient charges" at page 6, but we do not think that that Body had any right so to do. We regard it as a violation of the landmark. We can understand the appeal to *sentiment* which was made by the EARL OF ZETLAND, the Grand Master at that time, but if sentiment is to prevail, we may as well abandon Masonry.

We were at first at a loss to understand our Brother when he said, under Iowa, "We like not Brother Morcombe's speaking of the good men who are maimed as 'those defectives,' nor our Brother's commendation thereof." Upon turning to Iowa in our last report, we find that in the last part of a passage which we quoted, with approval, from our Brother MORCOMBE'S views as to physical perfection of candidates, the words are to be found. We had no special thought of commending those words.

Our Brother kindly commends our views as to refraining



from printing unnecessary details, and several other of our opinions meet his approval. He says he "admires the magnificent body of Masons in Pennsylvania," but thinks "the clinging so closely to the old charges has narrowed their views, just a little." He also thinks that the term "progressive Masonry" is all right, and that what we consider that term to stand for, namely "the introduction of methods that are foreign to the best interests of Masonry," can only so stand "under a plain misuse of their meaning." We venture to think that while it may be true enough that "Masonry is a progressive science," "progressive Masonry" is something different.

Our Brother concludes thus his review:

"We would like to sit up all night with our Brother and his interesting report, but work to-morrow calls for a clear head. Just another thought and then good-night, Brother! Under New Mexico you say you are not in accord with the following: 'We think that a person indicted by a grand jury does not "bear the tongue of good report."' Let us see. If the ballot box was about to be passed on petitioner Mr. X. Y. Z. and the W. . M. . added to the usual warning, 'This afternoon Mr. X. Y. Z. was indicted by the grand jury of this county for murder. I deem it my duty without prejudice to make this statement to the Brethren,' what would Brother Lambert [*sic*] do if he were a member and present?"

We should promptly ask if the Committee of Inquiry had investigated the circumstances of the alleged murder.

Most Worshipful Brother GEORGE GILLSON, of Carson City, Grand Master; Very Worshipful Brother CHAUNCEY N. NOTEWARE, of Carson City, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



## NEW BRUNSWICK—1903.

THE Grand Lodge of the Antient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick began its Thirty-sixth Annual Communication at Masonic Hall, in the City of Saint John, on Tuesday, August 25, A.D. 1903, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother ARTHUR I. TRUEMAN, Grand Master.

The Grand Master reported that harmony and good will prevail, and that no question of discipline or unpleasantness had come before him. In recording the losses by death sustained by Sister Grand Lodges, he names our Past Grand Master ARNOLD, adding, "Of him it was said, 'When the judicial ermine rested upon his shoulders, it touched nothing less pure than itself.'"

The Grand Master strongly urged the desirability of having a report on Foreign Correspondence. This recommendation was, on the suggestion of the Committee on the Grand Master's Address, referred to the Board of General Purposes, to consider, "in view of the large financial expense which it would involve," and report next year.

From his address we quote:

"In October, 1902, I received from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania an invitation to attend the Sesqui-Centennial Anniversary of the initiation of our Illustrious Brother, George Washington, into our Fraternity, held in the City of Philadelphia on the 5th November, 1902. I sincerely regretted that I was obliged to decline the invitation and to forego the honor and pleasure of attending what must have been one of the most memorable gatherings of the Craft. A memorial volume has since been received, containing a full account of the proceedings of the celebration and much valuable historic information of the Masonic life of the distinguished Brother."

## NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Number of Lodges, 35; initiated, 165; total membership, 2064, a gain of 70. Receipts, including balance, were \$3796.93; disbursements, \$1670.88; balance, \$2126.05.

The Library Committee reported the gift of the Memorial Volume of our Washington Sesqui-centennial Celebration.

The portraits of Past Grand Master WEDDERBURN (1870-1871) and JOHN V. ELLIS (1872-1874, 1884-1886) we are glad to see.

No report on Correspondence.

Most Worshipful Brother ARTHUR I. TRUEMAN, of Saint John, Grand Master, re-elected; Very Worshipful Brother J. TWINING HARTT, of Saint John, Grand Secretary, re-appointed.

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## NEW HAMPSHIRE—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New Hampshire held its Semi-annual Communication at Freemasons' Hall, in the City of Manchester, on Tuesday, December 29, A.D. 1903.

Most Worshipful Brother HARRY M. CHENEY, Grand Master.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master of Vermont, Brother OLIN W. DALEY, was a welcome visitor. A message of regret for his absence (through illness) was sent to the Junior Grand Warden, our friend Right Worshipful Brother JOHN HATCH, with hopes for his speedy restoration to health. Unfortunately, those hopes were not to be realized, for on March 16 following, death claimed a faithful Brother and most efficient member of Grand Lodge. His portrait is given, as are those of the late Past Grand Master DANFORTH, for whose demise we have a personal regret, the late Past District Deputy Grand Master DICKERMAN, and the retiring Grand Master; that of the last named forms the frontispiece.

The Semi-annual Communication is for the exemplifica-



tion of the work, and it was pleasant to see among the officers of good old Blazing Star Lodge, No. 11, of Concord, the names of Brethren whom we knew in by-gone days.

An interesting episode was the presentation of a Past Master's jewel to the State Grand Lecturer, Brother HERBERT E. RICHARDSON, by the District Deputy Grand Masters and Lecturers.

The One Hundred and Fifteenth Annual Communication was held at Freemasons' Hall, Concord, on Wednesday, May 18.

The annual address of the Grand Master is earnest and forceful. He paid loving tribute to the dead of his Jurisdiction.

A wise recommendation that one hundred dollars be appropriated each year for the purchase by the Grand Secretary, with the approval of the Grand Master, of desirable books and publications for the Grand Lodge Library, was adopted.

The Masonic Home has begun its good work, with three inmates. The Grand Master announced that he no longer favored what is called "perpetual jurisdiction over rejected material," and favored the adoption of a time limit. This matter was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, but we do not find any mention of the subject in their report. We think our Brother looks at the matter in a wrong light. It is not a matter of "perpetual jurisdiction." We regard the rejection of an applicant as the establishment of the fact that there is a *Masonic objection* to that applicant being made a Mason; and that fact having been once established, the mere passage of any amount of time will not remove that objection. The Masonic objection must be removed in the same manner that its existence was established,—i.e., by ballot.

Number of Lodges, 79; initiated, 293; total membership, 9572, a loss of 12. Receipts, including balance, were \$12,160.59; disbursements, \$5724.47; balance, \$6436.12.

A Past Grand Master's jewel was presented to the retiring



Grand Master, who received the thanks of the Grand Lodge, in appreciation of the marked ability which characterized his administration.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is, as usual, by the Chairman, Brother A. S. WAIT, who has been writing them for more than a quarter of a century, and whose work is thoroughly appreciated both by his own Brethren and by the members of the Corps Reportorial.

Under Connecticut, referring to Brother BARLOW, he says,—

“With our approval of the ruling from Arizona, that ‘upon an unfavorable report by the committee, or any member thereof, the applicant must be declared rejected,’ he expresses non-concurrence, observing that ‘it is the ballot, not the report of the committee, that elects or rejects.’ A black ball appearing upon a ballot does indeed *reject* the candidate; but a clear ballot in no proper sense *elects* him, it only shows that at that time there is no objection to the candidate. A single objection made at any time after, and before the obligation is actually administered is just as effectual a rejection as if manifested by a black ball at the ballot. It is a mistake to say that a ballot either elects or rejects the candidate, it only ascertains whether at the time any brother objects. An unfavorable report just as clearly shows that there is objection as can a black ball at the ballot, and we can see no reason why it should not be treated the same.”

Under Minnesota, commenting upon the remark of Brother TODD, who does not agree to the deduction that a Grand Lodge cannot deprive its membership, for cause, of all Masonic intercourse with the membership of another Jurisdiction, Brother WAIT (having italicized “for cause”) says,—

“If there is anything fundamental in Masonry, it is, that a regular Mason cannot be deprived of his rights as such,

unless *for cause*, shown upon charges duly presented and to which he has an opportunity to answer. Any other doctrine is not only unmasonic, but is revolting to the moral sense. We accept the case of the Grand Lodge of Washington as one properly in point. That Grand Lodge adopted a course of action which was offensive to most other Grand Lodges of the United States, and several of them because of it withdrew fraternal recognition from it, and not only so, but forbade Masonic intercourse with the membership of its Lodges. That is to say, because the Grand Lodge of Washington had done an act which they chose to regard as Masonically unjustifiable, all Masons of Washington, without trial, without it being ascertained upon any kind of evidence that they were parties to the act, or even approved it, were adjudged guilty of Masonic crime, and visited with all the circumstances of expulsion. If other Masons are satisfied with a doctrine that will introduce such consequences into Masonry, we must be counted as not among them. We have nothing to say as to withdrawal of fraternal intercourse by a Grand Lodge from another, but we do insist that no principle known to Masonry authorizes the visitation of individual Masons, especially if not shown to be parties to the offensive acts, with the consequences of Masonic crime. If this reduces the act of withdrawal of recognition to a less degree of efficiency, it furnishes no reason for extending it to consequences not warranted by the principles fundamental in Masonry."

We should very much like to have our Brother explain what the withdrawal from fraternal relations amounts to, if it does not make an end, for the time being at least, of the Brethren of the Lodges of each visiting the Lodges of the other.

Commenting upon the decision of the Grand Master of South Dakota that "Any member of the Lodge may merely announce that he objects to the visitor, and such visitor must not be admitted," Brother WAIT says that to this proposition



“ we cannot accede, although we are aware that it has the support of decisions in several other grand jurisdictions. Many years ago, as chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee of our own Grand Lodge, we had occasion to examine the same question, and with the concurrence of all the members of the committee the conclusion was reached, that an objection to the reception of a visitor was subject to examination by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master, and if found to be without good reason, might be overruled. This conclusion was concurred in by our Grand Lodge, and is the settled law of our jurisdiction. A few years ago the same question arose in the Grand Lodge of New York, and was examined by the Grand Master in an elaborate and very able opinion, in which he held in precise accordance with this former decision in New Hampshire, and he produced a former decision of the Grand Lodge of New York to the same effect. His ruling was adopted by his Grand Lodge as the law of that grand jurisdiction. The same doctrine is certainly held in at least some other jurisdictions, though it is to be conceded that this decision of our M. . . W. . . brother of South Dakota has the support of decisions by several other Grand Masters. We see no reason why a single brother, out of mere private pique, should be permitted, against the sentiment of the other members of his Lodge, to exclude a worthy brother from the well-recognized right of visitation.”

In our Jurisdiction, the Master of the Lodge has the absolute right to admit visitors, and his power to refuse admission to any one desiring to visit his Lodge is undoubted. He is bound, however, to maintain harmony in his Lodge, and it should never be his pleasure to admit a visitor to whom objection has been made by a member in open Lodge, unless, as it seems to us, the case be as supposed by Brother Warr in his last sentence.

Four pages are given to Pennsylvania for 1903, beginning thus:



“Before proceeding to a review of the transactions of the year of the Grand Lodge of the jurisdiction of Pennsylvania, we think it suitable first to apprise our brethren of the sad facts of the departures from this life of two of the most prominent and well-beloved members of the fraternity of that jurisdiction, and as well among the most prominent and best known members of the Masonic fraternity at large. The first of these was R. . . W. . . Brother and Past Grand Master MICHAEL ARNOLD, whose demise occurred on the twenty-fourth of April, A.D. 1903. He had served his Grand Lodge as Grand Master in the years 1893 and 1894, and as chairman of the Committee on Correspondence from 1895 till his death, and he was a member of several important committees and boards, having charge of its transactions and its great charities.

“On the fourteenth of July, 1903, died R. . . W. . . Brother SAMUEL C. PERKINS, the Senior Past Grand Master of the jurisdiction of Pennsylvania, having served as Grand Master in the years 1872 and 1873. He was also the Senior Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of the jurisdiction, and among the foremost in the affairs of Pennsylvania Masonry.”

Our doings are well summarized. Grand Master TENNIS's address “is an eloquent production and will be read with interest by the brethren in general.” In his address, it is stated that Grand Master BROWN “discusses the principles and objects of the Masonic institution in a manner interesting to the members of the Craft.”

Our report is “a most interesting as well as judicious and able review.” The receipt of the Memorial Volume of our Washington celebration is courteously acknowledged. We are glad to have our Brother speak so kindly, as he does further, as to our work. We used to hear of our distinguished Brother when we lived in New Hampshire, but it never was our good fortune to find him at Free-

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masons' Hall in Concord, when we had the pleasure of visiting it.

Most Worshipful Brother HENRY I. HASELTON, of Manchester, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother FRANK D. WOODBURY, of Concord, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## NEW JERSEY—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New Jersey began its One Hundred and Seventeenth Annual Communication at Masonic Hall, in the City of Trenton, on Wednesday, March 9, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother W. HOLT APGAR, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master, after an introduction full of fine thoughts, gives a full and interesting account of a busy year. In his visitations he reports:

“In December last, accompanied by Brother Josiah W. Ewan, M. W. Past Grand Master, I attended the Quarterly [Annual Grand] Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and witnessed the installing of the Grand Lodge Officers for the ensuing year. Again we renewed our friendship with the brethren of the Keystone State, and delightful indeed were this interchange of courtesies. The visit was a most enjoyable one for the New Jersey brethren.”

Among much that was pleasant during his two years of service, Grand Master APGAR finds the manner in which his New Jersey Brethren responded to the assessment for building the “Orphanage,” in which “the wards of the Grand Lodge” can be cared for in their tender years, was the most satisfactory.

Number of Lodges (kindly supplied by Past Grand Mas-



## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

ter BELCHER, our good Brother Grand Secretary REDWAY for some reason failing to give the number, although requested so to do), 173; raised, 2146; total membership, 22,102, a gain of 1751. Receipts, including balance, were \$26,579.82; disbursements, \$8018.89; balance, \$18,560.93.

From the report of the Committee on Library we take the following:

“Your committee have also visited the Masonic libraries at Philadelphia and Boston, maintained by the Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania and Massachusetts, respectively, and are indebted to W. Bro. George W. Rupp, Librarian, at Philadelphia, and M. W. Bro. Sereno D. Nickerson, Grand Secretary of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, for information and advice.

“We have received from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania a set of eight volumes of the minutes of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, 1779 to 1854.

“We recommend that the thanks of the Grand Lodge be given to the donors above named.”

The Masonic Home, with its fifty-nine inmates, is continuing its noble work.

Welcome visitors were the Grand Master of New York, Most Worshipful Brother ELBERT CRANDALL, and his suite of thirty. Past Grand Masters VROOMAN and STEWART, Grand Secretary EHLERS, and Grand Steward GRIM gave our Brethren “a rare oratorical treat.”

Votes of sympathy with Grand Treasurer BECHTEL and Past Grand Master CANNON, both prevented from being present by illness, were adopted.

A Past Grand Master's jewel was ordered for the retiring Grand Master, whose pleasantly familiar features, engraved on a steel plate, fittingly form the frontispiece.

In Brother REDWAY's list of Chairmen of Committees on Correspondence, our address is given incorrectly; it should be Harrisburg.



The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother CHARLES BELCHER, his fifth and, we regret to say, last, for ten days after the closing of the Annual Communication "he fell on sleep."

Brother BELCHER, with us, was opposed to "rapid transit" in conferring degrees; could not agree as to the propriety of laying corner-stones on Sunday, "even if the 'Church' is willing;" and continued in his belief that it is not necessary to display the flag in a Lodge-room "as an assurance of loyalty."

Brother VANDERLIETH, of Nevada, took exception to Brother BELCHER's remarks about "progressive Masonry," just as he did to ours, as we have already explained in this report, and Brother BELCHER well says,—

"He takes exception to our definition of 'progressive Masonry,' and says, 'Masonry is a progressive science,' which we willingly grant, but the 'progressive Masonry' of to-day stands for just what he objects to in his report, under Alabama. It stands for and upholds the introduction of customs in vogue in our later day organizations: solicitation, quantity instead of quality, charity grudgingly bestowed, and an utter lack of the Simon pure, old-fashioned Masonry that Brother Greenleaf in the fulness of his heart has so pleasantly and truthfully depicted in 'The Lodge-room over Simpkins' Store.' We like not the term, and dislike its use and abuse. Better try to kill the microbe."

More than four pages are given to a careful summary of Pennsylvania for 1902, a kind of work at which Brother BELCHER was truly "a Past Master." The address of Grand Master TENNIS is "an able document." "Forceful and truthful" are his remarks on the subject of intemperance and profanity; "they appeal to the honor of the individual through his intelligence and carry far more weight than the restrictive legislation of those who endorse prohibition."

The decision that a candidate can be balloted for and receive his first degree on the night he is twenty-one has "too much of the hustle of 'progressive Masonry' about it" to appeal to Brother BELCHER. Our report received the commendation of our Brother, who concluded his review as follows:

"We again tender thanks for opportunity to be present and enjoy the observance of the anniversary of Brother Washington's initiation, also for the souvenir of the memorable occasion.

"It is with sincere regret we learn of the death of Past Grand Master Michael Arnold. His genial presence and courtly dignity will be missed by his sorrowing brethren."

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN H. WILKINS, of Newark, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother THOMAS H. H. REDWAY, of Trenton, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### NEW MEXICO—1903.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of New Mexico began its Twenty-sixth Annual Communication in the Hall of Temple Lodge, No. 6, in the City of Albuquerque, on Monday, October 19, A.D. 1903, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother E. A. CAHOON, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master shows a vigorous administration, which was begun under the shadow of a great affliction. His decision that "no Brother who has not at some time occupied the position of Master or Warden of a Lodge should be allowed to confer degrees or occupy the East during the transaction of business," was disapproved properly by the



Committee on Grand Master's Address, whose report was adopted by Grand Lodge.

Hereafter every Lodge in New Mexico must inform the Lodge of each visitor of the fact of his visit.

Recognition of the Grand Lodge Cosmos, of Chihuahua, was withdrawn, and a similar proposal with regard to the Grand Lodge of Cuba was postponed.

The Grand Lecturer, Brother W. H. SEAMON, after seven years of faithful and efficient work, declined a reappointment. This Brother, who is also the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, submitted a special report on Mexican Masonry, and his recommendation that the recognition of the Grand Lodge Valley of Mexico be deferred "until it become a Grand Lodge of the York rite with Americans in control," does not seem to have been acted upon.

Number of Lodges, 21, a gain of 1; initiated, 108; total membership, 1231, a gain of 98. Receipts, including balance, were \$3261.44; disbursements, \$1369.60; balance, \$1891.84.

Brother SEAMON's report on Foreign Correspondence is a valuable work, and at its close our Brother writes interestingly on Grand Lodge Recognition and Rights of Visitation. We quite agree that more care than is generally given should be exercised in considering claims for recognition; and he renews his suggestion of "branding" as a best precaution to prevent imposition.

In view of what our Brother says several times with regard to the Grand Lodge of Cuba's recognition of the Grand Orient of France, we refer him to the Proceedings of the former for 1903.

Under the District of Columbia, Brother SEAMON says,—

"Brother Baird calls our attention to a point in the Masonic history of President McKinley, which should be generally noted. He says McKinley was elected to membership in the Shrine, but that he can find no evidence that he ever received the degree."



As the "Shrine" is *not* a Masonic society, President McKINLEY's election to membership in it has, we beg to say, and say very emphatically, nothing whatever to do with that lamented Brother's "*Masonic history*."

We are the more surprised at this statement of Brother SEAMON's, as we see that he did not approve of the reception, in his official character, of a so-called "Imperial Potentate."

Our Brother does not approve of the proposal of Brother THOMPSON, of North Dakota, of a ritual and plan for an organization to embrace sons and brothers of Master Masons not old enough to unite with the Fraternity:

"We sincerely trust that this innovation will go no further. If we are to maintain our self-respect we must fight all these efforts to saddle on deserving organizations to the body of Free Masonry."

Pennsylvania for 1902 is considered. From Grand Master TENNIS's address ("a notable production") two quotations are made. Our Washington celebration and the Memorial Volume are mentioned, and our report "is an able and interesting document. New Mexico for 1901 is courteously reviewed."

Our Brother concludes:

"We are under obligations to Bro. Lamberton for an invitation to be present at the Washington celebration. It was a great courtesy and we regret we could not show our appreciation of it by attendance upon this interesting occasion."

We much regret our Brother could not be with us.

Most Worshipful Brother J. C. SLACK, of Clayton, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother ALPHEUS A. KEEN, of Albuquerque, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

## NEW SOUTH WALES—1904.

THE United Grand Lodge of New South Wales, of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, held a Special Communication in The Town Hall, Sydney, on Monday, July 30, 1903, in honor of the celebration of the Centenary of the Dawn of Freemasonry in Australia.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN COCHRANE REMINGTON, Grand Master.

Over three thousand five hundred Brethren were present, including Most Worshipful Brother the Honorable C. E. DAVIES, Grand Master of Tasmania, and His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales, Vice-Admiral Sir HARRY RAWSON, K.C.B., Past Grand Warden of England.

The address of the Grand Master was chiefly historical in its nature and of great interest. The installation of the Grand Master, the appointment of the Deputy Grand Master, and the investiture of the Grand Lodge officers followed, several specially written odes being rendered, and some admirable and appreciative addresses being made by the distinguished Brethren, including the Governor of the State.

Number of Lodges, 198, a gain of 9; "subscribing members," 10,044, a gain of 666. Receipts, including balance, were \$29,730; disbursements, \$13,500; balance, \$16,230. The Grand Lodge Fund has increased to over \$16,000, and the Benevolent Fund to almost exactly \$50,000.

At the September Quarterly, the Grand Master, in his address, says,—

"The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania has issued a splendid volume of the proceedings at the Sesqui-Centennial Celebration of the Initiation of the great GEORGE WASHINGTON, and I received my copy with sincere pleasure and interest on the 22nd June last."

In the address of the Grand Master at the December Quarterly, he reported that he had granted two dispensations for

“Initiation of a Lewis” (son of a Mason). At the March Quarterly, a pleasant episode was the presentation by the Grand Master, on behalf of “Prince Leopold” and “Ulmarras” Lodges, of a Masonic jewel to Very Worshipful Brother EDMUND HOCKEY, in appreciation of his past services.

Costa Rica was recognized.

A welcome visitor was Right Worshipful Brother EVANS, Past Grand Warden of South Australia.

At the June Quarterly, the Grand Master was re-elected for the fifth time, he and the other officers of the Grand Lodge having been proposed at a Special Communication the day previous, according to custom.

In this Jurisdiction, the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is elected, and the Chairman, Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM H. SHORTLAND, has reviewed twenty Grand Lodges, Brother THOMAS L. ROBOTHAM seventeen, Brother CLAUDE LEPLASTRIER nine, Brother A. M. HOWARTH seven, while Brother HERBERT S. THOMPSON apparently prepared none, though there are nine, in which number is Pennsylvania, which are undesignated. The report is a good one, with excellent excerpts and suitable comment.

Under Illinois, Brother LEPLASTRIER says,—

“With reference to the remark *re* constitution of our Committee, we can say with all Masonic frankness and courtesy that opinions may differ as to a report ‘lacking as a whole the breadth of view which a single mind gains from a survey of the whole field.’ Illinois may be, and is, exceptionally fortunate in having such an industrious Brother as Wor. Bro. Joseph Robbins, but the exception may prove the rule, and the ‘Mosaic’ order of report is the rule.”

Just what the “Mosaic” (with a capital “M”) order may be, we are not entirely clear; but if our Brother is of the opinion that it is the “rule” to have reports on Correspond-



ence prepared by a committee of Brethren, we think he is mistaken.

With regard to the "Initiation of a Lewis," Brother HOWARTH, under Texas, says,—

"We would like to say just here that from 'time immemorial' it has been the custom in the State of New South Wales, where the Craft workings are more than 100 years old, to follow the precedent of the Grand Lodge of England to extend the rite of initiation to a 'Lewis,' with a priority of claim above that of any other candidate, irrespective of social rank or official position."

Two pages of review are given to Pennsylvania for 1903. The unsigned review, which is well done, begins with the following (which is slightly out of plumb in the grammar line):

"The records of this Grand Lodge are again before us, frontispiced as usual with a steel engraving of the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia, and which we gather has been lately greatly improved, and it is claimed that the Corinthian Hall is equal, if not superior, to any hall in the world for correctness as to architectural detail."

Referring to our proposed Masonic Home or Homes, we read with pleasure:

"We fraternally wish God speed to our Brethren of Pennsylvania, in this noble work."

Speaking of what was said by Grand Master TENNIS, in his "eloquent address," with regard to the Master wearing a "modern silk hat," the Brother reviewing us says, not without humor,—

“ We presume in open Lodge, but to us the ‘ modern silk hat’ seems somewhat of an anomaly in ‘ Ancient Free Masonry.’ ”

An extract is made from Grand Master BROWN’s inaugural. The review concludes as follows:

“ The Committee on Foreign Correspondence has reviewed the Proceedings of 66 Jurisdictions, our own among the number. The report is very complete, and full of interesting comments, and we appreciate very greatly the kindly and fraternal references made therein to New South Wales, and let us assure our Brethren of Pennsylvania that we are deeply interested in the doings of our American Brethren.”

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN C. REMINGTON, of Sydney, Grand Master, re-elected; Very Worshipful Brother ARTHUR H. BRAY, of Sydney, Grand Secretary, continued.

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### NEW YORK—1904.

THE Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York began its One Hundred and Twenty-third Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, in the City of New York, on Tuesday, May 3, A.D. 1904, and closed two days later.

Most Worshipful Brother ELBERT CRANDALL, Grand Master.

The Grand Master, through illness, was unable to be present. Although he was not present, we note that Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form.

Grand Lodge was honored by the presence of a visiting Grand Master and several visiting Past Grand Masters, but the Jurisdiction from which they hailed is not given; and, as we have not yet had the pleasure of meeting Most Wor-

shipful Brother JOHN H. WILKINS, we were at a loss for a minute where to place him, but his good company showed that he was from "Jersey." Worshipful Brother WILLIAM H. MACMILLAN, of Phoenix Lodge, No. 103, of Pennsylvania, was with these distinguished visitors, who were received with the customary honors.

The address of the Grand Master was presented. It is a long document, a great portion being taken up with obituary notices and official visitations and functions.

We are glad to have our Brother say, referring to the great increase in numbers, "exceeding care has been displayed by the several Lodges in admitting only those absolutely worthy to share the privileges of the Craft." The proposed Masonic Sanatorium for Consumptives receives cordial endorsement.

The interesting address of the Grand Master at the laying of the corner-stone of the Sixty-fifth Regiment Armory at Buffalo, May 30, 1904, is printed after the annual address.

Number of Lodges, 763; initiated, 10,786; total membership, 126,177, a gain of 7992. Receipts, including balance, were \$174,825.50; disbursements, \$98,591.12; balance, \$76,234.38.

Among the contributors to the Land Fund of the Masonic Sanatorium for Consumptives, we note the name of our Brother, President ROOSEVELT. The Masonic Home at Utica is full to overflowing, with a waiting list of nearly fifty. For the year ending March 1, 1904, there was an average of three hundred inmates at a per capita cost of \$199.10; the increase over the last year being largely accounted for by the increase in table expenses, fuel, and care and medical attendance. The Superintendent, Past Grand Master ANTHONY, presents one of his usual full and exact reports.

The question of levying a per capita tax of fifty cents, to be exclusively devoted to the maintenance of the Home, is to be submitted to the Lodges for their approval.

Hereafter Commissioners of Appeal are to be entitled Right Worshipful.



The Grand Historian, Brother EDWIN A. QUICK, continues his most valuable work, and Grand Librarian CLARK is active as ever.

We are sure that those who come after will rejoice in the work of these Brethren and of the Committee on Antiquities.

The engraved portraits of the retiring Grand Treasurer, Right Worshipful Brother THEODORE A. TAYLOR, who declined a re-election, and of Most Worshipful Brother JOHN H. ANTHON, who was Grand Master in 1870 and 1871, are given us. We should have been pleased to see the portrait of the new Grand Master. We should be glad if it was the rule to give the portrait of the new Grand Master in that volume of the Proceedings which records his election and installation. We are in hopes that our Grand Lodge will adopt that rule.

The German Masonic Temple Association continues to flourish, and the Home at Tappan is prosperous.

The Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was recognized, the Grand Orient of Brazil was deferred, and the Grand Orient D'Haiti was refused.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is the sixteenth by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother JESSE B. ANTHONY, the proceedings of Grand Bodies in foreign countries being by Brother EMIL FRENKEL, as usual. The report is full and interesting.

It would be a matter of satisfaction if one, notwithstanding what modern investigation seems to show, could be able to believe with Brother ANTHONY:

“ We believe that Freemasonry ought not to be limited to those bodies that can trace their origin to the British Isles. Hence, in foreign countries where the A. A. Scottish Rite is the dominant factor, and Grand Lodges are formed of Lodges conferring the three degrees of Symbolic Masonry—having exclusive authority—free from the control of the Supreme Council, or any other powers however named, we entertain

the opinion that the good of the Craft and the Universality of Freemasonry warrant official relations with such Grand Bodies."

We are glad to find Brother ANTHONY does not approve of laying corner-stones on Sunday.

Our Brother, under South Carolina, remarks that "it is an opportune time for all Grand Lodges holding to the doctrine of perpetual jurisdiction to relax somewhat their claim." As we in Pennsylvania view it, there could be no "somewhat" about it. It is not a question of perpetual *jurisdiction*, but of a Masonic *objection*, which may or may not be perpetual. As we have already said, a Masonic objection having been established, no mere lapsing of any amount of time can of itself remove that objection.

Pennsylvania for 1902 receives full review, Grand Master TENNIS's address being well summarized. Of our Washington celebration our Brother says,—

"Special Communication held November 5, 1902, for the celebration of the Sesqui-centennial Anniversary of George Washington's initiation into Freemasonry. Three hundred and forty-one Lodges were represented from Pennsylvania and twenty-four from other Grand Jurisdictions, including four from New York. The Grand Lodge was honored by the presence of the President of the United States, BRO. THEODORE ROOSEVELT, of Matinecock Lodge, No. 806, of Oyster Bay, New York. The Governor of Pennsylvania, BRO. WILLIAM A. STONE, and Grand Officers from the Grand Jurisdictions of Arizona, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Idaho, Maryland, Massachusetts, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, Quebec, Virginia and New York by M. . . W. . . JOHN W. VROOMAN, Past Grand Master.

"Addresses were delivered by BRO. THEODORE ROOSEVELT, President of the United States, BRO. JAMES M. LAMBERTON on 'Washington as a Freemason,' and BRO. STEWARD



L. WOODFORD on 'Washington as a Citizen.' Following these, greetings were extended by the Grand Masters or Past Grand Masters of thirteen sister Grand Jurisdictions.

"R. . . W. . . WILLIAM L. SWAN, Master of Matinecock Lodge, No. 806, Oyster Bay, N. Y.—who conferred the third degree upon PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT—also addressed the Grand Lodge.

"Record is made of the letter of regret from the Grand Master of New York at his inability to be present.

"At the close of the formal ceremonies, a banquet was served in the Grand Banquet Hall of the Masonic Temple.

"We are in receipt of an elegant Memorial Volume, embracing the full proceedings of this unique occasion, and we are indebted to W. . . JAMES M. LAMBERTON for this courtesy."

Our report covers "a thorough review," and from our "graceful review" of New York, he copies our expressions of thanks for courtesies shown by some of our New York Brethren at the time of the celebration. It was a disappointment to this writer to find that Brother ANTHONY had to send a regret at that time, as we hoped to meet him. We trust the pleasure is only deferred.

Most Worshipful Brother FRANK H. ROBINSON, of Hornellsville, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother EDWARD M. L. EHLERS, of New York, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## NEW ZEALAND—1904.

THE Grand Lodge of Antient Free and Accepted Masons of New Zealand held its Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, Dunedin, on Wednesday, May 4, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother HERBERT JAMES WILLIAMS, Grand Master.



The report of the proceedings is very full, an abstract being given of the debates. As already explained, the business of this Grand Lodge is practically governed by the report of the Board of General Purposes, and it would seem that consent was necessary to introduce any business not in the report of that Board.

The death of Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother HENRY THOMPSON was greatly regretted. He was the first Grand Master, and the establishment of the Grand Lodge was due in large measure to his courage, zeal, fidelity, and skill.

The matter of difference with the Grand Lodge of Scotland does not seem nearer settlement.

Costa Rica was recognized. The "finger print system of identification" was recommended, by the Board of General Purposes, to the favorable consideration of Grand Lodge, but after a debate the word favorable was stricken out, we are very glad to see.

The new Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother ALFRED HENRY BURTON, was installed with all due ceremony. His inaugural consisted of three words, so to speak, "Congratulation, Warning, and Entreaty," and was of much interest. A testimonial (a suit of regalia from London) was presented to the retiring Grand Master.

Number of Lodges, 129; initiated, 665; total membership, 6559, a gain of 360. Receipts from all sources, \$56,005; disbursements, \$19,015; balance, \$36,990.

No report on Correspondence.

Most Worshipful ALFRED HENRY BURTON, of Dunedin, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother MALCOLM NICCOL, of Dunedin, Grand Secretary, continued.

## NORTH CAROLINA—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina began its One Hundred and Seventeenth Annual Communication at the Masonic Hall, in the City of Raleigh, on Tuesday, January 12, A.D. 1904, and closed two days later.

Most Worshipful Brother H. I. CLARK, Grand Master.

Although Grand Secretary DREWRY has at last corrected his list of Representatives to and from his Grand Lodge, we see in the proceedings that among the Grand Representatives present was one supposed to represent Pennsylvania.

The address of the Grand Master shows a busy year. In reporting the death of our Past Grand Master PERKINS, the Grand Master says, "He was a Mason, a patriot, an unselfish friend. God rest his soul in peace." The year, besides being a busy one, was one of prosperity. Both the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary seem to think the movement to erect a Masonic Temple in Raleigh has been an important factor in making the year one of the largest growth in the history of the Grand Lodge. We are glad to see that our North Carolina Brethren are "making haste slowly" in the proposed Temple project.

Number of Lodges, including nine under dispensation, 340; initiated, 1396; total membership, 13,663, a gain of 1001. Receipts, including balance, were \$12,422.17; disbursements, \$9895.92; balance, \$2526.25.

The Oxford Orphan Asylum continues its great work. It is a State institution under the management of the Fraternity.

The Grand Orator, Brother JOHN S. CUNNINGHAM, delivered an eloquent oration.

On the second day the Grand Master was called away by sickness in his family.

The recognition of Costa Rica was postponed, but Western Australia was recognized.



A "Past Master's" jewel was presented to the retiring Grand Master, who had returned, and whose portrait forms the frontispiece. We have the portrait also of the Senior Grand Deacon, Brother THOMAS J. REED, who had died since the last Annual Communication.

The report on Correspondence is the eighth by Brother Dr. JOHN A. COLLINS, the Chairman, whose work is interesting. He evidently agrees with us as to details in reports of Committees on Appeals and Grievances, saying, under Georgia,—

"The Committee on Appeals and Grievances has no closet in which to hide its skeletons and bravely hangs them out as a terror to all transgressors. This display of horrors in the printed page seems to be altogether needless, since the lodge of the outcasts and the Grand Lodge are already in possession of the shocking disclosures."

We quote with pleasure his commendation of Brother ROBBINS, of Illinois:

"A firm belief in the value of Craft Masonry to the world in the past and in the time to come prompts us to say that Brother Robbins has rendered invaluable service to his own Grand Lodge and to the Fraternity at large by his resistance to the admission of all hybrid organizations into the Masonic family. We can see with the mind's eye the pressure, the clamor, the coaxing to 'let up,' to be 'generous' and 'not too exacting,' and we cannot withhold our small word of praise and admiration for the ability, the fidelity and cool courage which have brought about this decisive action of the Grand Lodge."

Brother COLLINS is opposed to Lodges going to church to attend service in Masonic clothing, as are we, and, under Manitoba, says,—

"Many dispensations were granted to the truly pious lodges to attend divine service in Masonic clothing, but the



Grand Master drew the line at 'dances and entertainments' and wouldn't let the boys advertise their lodge and themselves in just that way. To one looking at these displays from afar it is not easy to perceive any difference in the motive which prompts them. The devout Christian would shrink from making himself conspicuous in a house of worship because of its essential impropriety and incongruity, and because of the obvious challenge to the sincerity of his profession and practice."

Pennsylvania for 1902 is reviewed. Referring to our Grand Treasurer PATTON's gift, he says,—

"Naturally this princely gift to the cause of charity inspired the Grand Master and the other Brethren of Grand Lodge to eloquent eulogies of the generosity of the donor,"

and a quotation is made from Past Grand Master ARNOLD's tribute.

Brother COLLINS says,—

"One of the most notable gatherings of the Pennsylvania Craft was that of the Special Communication of Nov. 5, 1902, for the celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the initiation of George Washington into the Masonic Fraternity. There were representatives of 371 lodges of the Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania, and of sixteen lodges from other Grand Jurisdictions present to aid in this memorable observance.

"The President of the United States, Bro. Theodore Roosevelt, was an honored guest, as were many other distinguished citizens and Masons throughout the national domain. The arrangements in all their details were consistent with the wealth and dignity of Grand Lodge. The Proceedings, under the editorial management of Brother James M. Lambertson, make a handsome volume of nearly 400 pages."

## NORTH DAKOTA.

Several extracts are made from Grand Master TENNIS's address, his denunciation of electioneering being "heartily endorsed."

Less than seven lines disposes of our "very interesting report," "in the pleasant and forcible style which characterizes" this writer, in which "liberal space" was given to North Carolina.

Most Worshipful Brother W. S. LIDDELL, of Charlotte, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JOHN C. DREWRY, of Raleigh, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## NORTH DAKOTA—1904.

THE Grand Lodge A. . . F. . . and A. . . M. . . of the State of North Dakota began its Fifteenth Annual Communication in the Auditorium of the Masonic Temple, in the City of Fargo, on Wednesday, June 28, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother JAMES T. BLACKLOCK, Grand Master.

From the annual address of the Grand Master, we take it he has given his Brethren an excellent and wise administration. From his first decision we also take it that the Lodges do not inform the Grand Secretary's office of their action upon the petitions of candidates, and that no inquiry is made of that office whether there is any objection on the records of Grand Lodge to the person whose petition is presented for consideration.

We are glad to have the portrait of the retiring Grand Master.

The twelfth annual report of Grand Secretary THOMPSON is very full and very complete. He mentions, among the additions to the Library, the Memorial Volume of our Washington celebration.

Number of Lodges, 72; initiated, 509; total membership,

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4847, a gain of 449. Receipts, including balance, were \$12,329.55; disbursements, \$4181.17; balance, \$8148.38.

The Senior Grand Warden having removed from the Jurisdiction, a Past Senior Grand Warden's apron (whatever that may be, we never saw one) was ordered to be sent to him.

In the report on Necrology we find:

“MICHAEL ARNOLD: 1840—April 24, 1903.

Past Grand Master of Pennsylvania.

Eminent lawyer and one of Pennsylvania's greatest judges.

“SAMUEL C. PERKINS: Nov. 14, 1828—July 14, 1903.

Past Grand Master of Pennsylvania.

Eminent lawyer.

“CONRAD B. DAY: July 3, 1832—Jan. 11, 1904.

Past Grand Master of Pennsylvania.

President of Commonwealth National Bank.

President of Seventh National Bank.

“Among the above list we note with particular grief the name of Michael Arnold, of Pennsylvania, a true Mason and a noble man. Not only was Brother Arnold prominent and active for years in every sphere of Masonry, not only was it never irksome to him or of too little moment to aid his craft in any and every capacity in which he might be called upon to serve, be this in the office, in committees, or in whatsoever fraternal function, but Brother Arnold was as well a jurist of the finest metal. He is honored now, and will be honored in the times to come, as one of the greatest judges of the State of Pennsylvania, and, in civil history, he will continue to be revered because he gave so much energy of his great mind to the establishing of a municipal government and the building up of a great city.”

It is pleasant to see that the salary of the Grand Secretary as Librarian was doubled.

Hereafter no charge is to be made for affiliation.



Grand Lodges Valle de Mexico, Benito Juarez, Ignacio Ramirez, and Argentina were recognized.

Hereafter the Grand Orator is to be a regular officer of the Grand Lodge.

We suppose it is too much to ask our Brethren to go back to the old times, when every officer of the Grand Lodge was not a Grand Officer, while of course every Grand Officer was an officer of the Grand Lodge. Historically there are but six Grand Officers,—the Grand Master and his Deputy, the Grand Wardens, the Grand Treasurer, and the Grand Secretary. Indeed, it was some time before the last two were recognized as Grand Officers in England.

When the Grand Orator, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WALTER L. STOCKWELL, was called on for his address, the record states:

“He stated that he had not prepared one, for two main reasons: one, that his duties as Superintendent of Public Instruction of the state had drawn very heavily upon his time; and, second, that the address of President Roosevelt upon Masonry and Citizenship, delivered at the Sesqui-Centennial Anniversary of the Raising [*sic*] of George Washington, at Philadelphia, November, 1902, expressed in so many ways, and better than he could hope to do, those ideals which he had formed in his mind under the influence of Masonry, that he believed he could do no better service to the Grand Lodge than to read that most excellent address of our President, which he proceeded to do.”

Owing to the illness of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, Most Worshipful Brother ROBERT M. CAROTHERS, there is no report this year on Correspondence, a double one being promised for next year.

Most Worshipful Brother JAMES W. FOLEY, of Bismarck, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother FRANK J. THOMPSON, of Fargo, Grand Secretary.

## NOVA SCOTIA—1903.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nova Scotia began its Thirty-eighth Annual Communication in Freemasons' Hall, Halifax, on Wednesday, June 10, A.D. 1903, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother LUTHER B. ARCHIBALD, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master is a practical document. Commenting upon the illness and subsequent recovery of KING EDWARD VII., who had served as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England for twenty-six years, Grand Master ARCHIBALD mentions that during the KING's tenure of office no less than nine hundred and fifty-two Lodges had been added to the roll of the Grand Lodge of England, and upward of ten million dollars had been expended in Masonic charity.

The invitation to participate in our Washington celebration is recorded.

Deputy Grand Master ALLEN, of Canada, and Past Grand Master McNEILL, of Prince Edward Island, were welcome visitors.

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 64; initiated, 345; total membership, 3882, a gain of 162. Receipts, including balance, were \$7507.16; disbursements, \$5544.38; balance, \$1962.78.

The former custom of having a procession, to attend service immediately after Grand Lodge has been opened, has been changed, and a service is held in the evening of the first day; and we are pleased to note that the Grand Master announced "No regalia will be worn." At the service, Grand Chaplain FOSTER delivered a sermon from the text, "Seek, and ye shall find," for which he received the thanks of the Brethren, and a copy of the sermon is printed in the Proceedings.

There was an interesting discussion of a decision of the



preceding Grand Master that “a member of a Lodge working in Halifax [meaning, we take it, Royal Standard Lodge, a purely military and naval Lodge, composed entirely of non-commissioned officers of His Majesty’s Services and of Brethren who leave the Services while still in membership] could not affiliate with a Lodge under the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia,” which resulted in the decision being sustained.

The afternoons are long in Halifax; the Grand Lodge closed “at seven o’clock in the afternoon.”

There is a full and interesting report on Foreign Correspondence, but no writer appears to claim deserved credit for it. In his annual address, the Grand Master suggested “that the Grand Secretary be appointed to review the Proceedings of the other Grand Lodges, instead of dividing this duty up amongst a few volunteers.” This suggestion was adopted, and a compensation is to be made to that Grand Officer. In the course of the proceedings we noticed that under the “Report of Committee on Foreign Correspondence,” “The Grand Secretary reported progress,” but not until we had reached the review of Rhode Island did we find a reference which identified the writer. Grand Secretary MOWBRAY has prepared, as we have said, an interesting report, which his Brethren will do well to read. He does not often favor us with his views, but we are pleased to see that he seems to be conservative.

Pennsylvania for 1902 receives nearly five pages of review.

Referring to our Special Communication of November 5, 1902, Brother MOWBRAY says,—

“This notable communication, at which such a large number of the most distinguished Masons on the continent were assembled, was held for the purpose of celebrating the One Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary of the initiation of George Washington.

“The Grand Master in well chosen words introduced Bro. Theodore Roosevelt, who was enthusiastically received with



the grand honours. He gracefully acknowledged the compliment in an eloquent address. Bro. Stewart L. Woodford, Grand Orator, delivered an address on 'Washington as a citizen.' Many of the visiting Grand Masters and Past Grand Masters addressed Grand Lodge."

In another place Brother MOWBRAY says,—

"We observe that the remarks of Brother Theodore Roosevelt, the popular President of the United States, at this notable gathering were of an inspiring nature, and we can well believe that the occasion was a most enjoyable one, and one long to be remembered with pleasurable emotions by all those having the good fortune to be present."

Grand Master TENNIS's annual address is "of much interest," from which several long extracts are made, with an interesting summary of other portions. Less than five lines disposes of our report, "a really excellent review," "from the perusal of which much valuable information can readily be obtained."

We note with pleasure the election to the Grand Mastership of Brother the Honorable WILLIAM ROSS, who for eleven years was Grand Secretary, he having resigned at the end of 1900 on account of his Parliamentary duties.

Most Worshipful Brother the Honorable WILLIAM ROSS, M.P., of Halifax, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother THOMAS MOWBRAY, of Halifax, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## OHIO—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Ohio began its Ninety-fourth Annual Grand Communication in the Valentine Theatre, in the City of Toledo, on Wednesday, October 19, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother ORION P. SPERRA, Grand Master.

After Grand Lodge had been opened, addresses of welcome from His Honor the Mayor, Brother ROBERT H. FITCH, and from Past Grand Master BARTON SMITH, on behalf of the citizens and the Brethren, were delivered, response being made by the Grand Master and Past Grand Master ANDREWS.

In his interesting annual address, the Grand Master records the death of Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother S. STACKER WILLIAMS, who was Grand Master in 1885, 1886, and 1887; a portrait of the distinguished Brother is given.

Grand Master SPERRA is certainly popular with his Brethren: York Lodge presented him with a very handsome Past Grand Master's apron; his own Lodge, Unity, presented to him a beautiful jewel; at Marietta he received a gavel; and at Cleveland, a handsome cane. The first two he wore and the third he used at the opening of Grand Lodge. He disapproved of "Masonic fairs and raffles," very wisely. The Masonic Home received his warmest commendation.

The sixteenth annual report of the Grand Secretary, Brother the Honorable JACOB H. BROMWELL, M.C., is complete as usual.

Number of Lodges, 503, a gain of 3; membership, 58,243, a net gain of 3178. Receipts, including balance, were \$88,367.89; disbursements, \$43,775.85; balance, \$44,592.04.

A Past Grand Master's jewel was ordered for the retiring Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece.

From a special report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence we quote the following for the information of our Brethren:

*"Spurious Lodges.*—The list of the names of spurious so-called Masonic Lodges having been largely increased since last reported, your Committee on Foreign Correspondence

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herewith submits the following amended list of Clandestine Bodies in the several Grand Jurisdictions of the United States so far as obtained. Many of these, however, doubtless *exist in name only*. In this list the names of other so-called Cerneau Bodies deemed equally Clandestine are not included.

“ ILLINOIS.

Amalia, No. 377.....Chicago.		Immanuel, No. 357.....Chicago.
Lafayette, No. 214.....Chicago.		Justin, No. 204.....Chicago.
York .....		Chicago.

“ KENTUCKY.

King Solomon, No. 1..Covington.		Washington, No. 2.....Covington.
Jefferson, No. 3.....		Covington.

“ LOUISIANA.

“ A spurious Grand Lodge is said to have long existed in the State of Louisiana, but your Committee has been unable to obtain the names of its Subordinates.

“ MARYLAND.

“ An attempt has been recently made to establish spurious Lodges in the city of Baltimore, in which it was advertised to be done under the auspices of a Second Grand Lodge in Ohio formed by ‘ a *division*’ in Grand Lodge, and other misstatements and misrepresentations usual to bogus degree peddlers, in which it was proposed to ‘ confer all the degrees of Masonry the same as any other Lodge of Masons’ at reduced prices. Your Committee has not been advised of any successful result of their efforts.

“ MASSACHUSETTS.

“ ‘ List of spurious concerns, called Masonic Lodges, said to be operating in Boston and vicinity, under the direction of certain expelled Masons, rejected applicants, and other disreputable persons. Most of these traps for the unwary are mere names, a part of the system of pretense and brag practiced by swindlers.

“ ‘ Boston, August 30, 1904.’



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Boston, No. 295.....Boston.  
Massachusetts, No. 296...Boston.  
Suffolk, No. 297.....Boston.  
Commonwealth, No. 298..Boston.  
Mount Zion, No. 299.....Lynn.  
Mount Pleasant, No. 300,  
Dorchester.  
Puritan, No. 301....Swampscott.  
Somerville, No. 302...Somerville.  
Mount Olive, No. 303.....Boston.  
Edwin Baker, No. 304,  
Providence, R. I.  
Chelsea, No. 305.....Chelsea.  
Mount Moriah, No. 306...Boston.  
St. John's, No. 307....Dorchester.  
Dorchester Union, No. 308,  
Dorchester.

Eureka, No. 309..Providence, R. I.  
King Solomon, No. 310, Brockton.  
King Hiram, No. 311....Everett.  
Bunker Hill, No. 312,  
Charlestown.  
Pine Tree, No. 313, Portland, Me.  
Harmony, No. 314.....Brockton.  
Ancient Landmark, No. 1, Boston.  
Palmyra, No. 2.....Boston.  
Haverhill, No. 3.....Haverhill.  
Bethlehem .....  
Caledonia .....Dorchester.  
Constantine, No. 15...Cambridge.  
Lincoln .....Newton.  
Mount Lebanon.....Malden.  
Oriental Star.....Watertown.  
Valetta .....Allston.

“NEW YORK.

Banner, No. 1.....New York.  
Excelsior .....New York.  
Benjamin Franklin...New York.  
Progressive .....New York.

Triune .....New York.  
McKinley .....New York.  
International .....New York.

Atlantide (by Gr. Or. France), New York.

“NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Gentile U. D. East Manchester.

“OHIO.

Ahiman	Newark.
Alliance	Alliance.
Alpha	Cleveland.
Bismark	Cincinnati.
Brighton	Cincinnati.
Columbia	Columbus.
Dumah	Springfield.
Eureka	Cincinnati.
Franklin	Columbus.
Gem City	Dayton.
Globe	Toledo.
Hiram	Canton.
Independence	Youngstown.
Lessing	Toledo.
Lincoln	Toledo.
Lincoln	Cleveland.
Lincoln Goodale	Columbus.

Linton	Cincinnati.
Massillon	Massillon.
Mt. Tabor	Chillicothe.
Myrtle	Mt. Vernon.
New England	Worthington.
Olentangy	Columbus.
Painesville	Painesville.
Progress	Cleveland.
Salem	New Salem.
Scioto Valley	Portsmouth.
Surprise	Olmsted Falls.
Summit	Akron.
Victor	Cleveland.
Vinton	Galloway.
Washington	Cincinnati.
West Mansfield	West Mansfield.

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### “ OREGON.

Baker, No. 55, Marshfield (“Mixed Negroes and Whites”).

### “ PENNSYLVANIA.

Accacia Lodge, No. 44, McKeesport.	Jerusalem, No. 247..Philadelphia.
Accacia Lodge, No. 252, Philadelphia.	Liberal Lodge, No. 9....Siegfried.
Agora Lodge, No. 6...Bethlehem.	Mount Carmel Lodge, No. 256, Philadelphia.
Abraham Lincoln Lodge, No. 210, Philadelphia.	Mount Lebanon Lodge, No. 251, Philadelphia.
Chistopher Columbus Lodge, No. 188, Philadelphia.	Pennsylvania Lodge, Allegheny City.
Federal Lodge, East Mauch Chunk.	Pilgrim Lodge.....Allentown.
Harmony Lodge.....Pittsburg.	St. John's Lodge.....Weissport.
Hiram Lodge, No. 250, Philadelphia.	William McKinley Lodge, No. 264, Philadelphia.
Jupiter Lodge, No. 249, Philadelphia.	Washington Lodge, No. 244, Hazelton.
	Evergreen Chapter (Rose Croix), Philadelphia.

“Of the Ohio so-called Lodges, whilst some of them possibly never had any existence but in name for advertising purposes, there are others that were active in their spurious work that are now defunct, but their names are still used for the deception of the uninformed.”

The Committee on Correspondence recommended the recognition of Costa Rica, Tasmania, Western Australia, Valle de Mexico, and Brazil, and the postponement of action with regard to the Grand Lodge Alpina (Switzerland), and Puerto Rico; but no action on the recommendations was taken, or, if it was, it is not recorded in the Proceedings.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is, as usual, by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM M. CUNNINGHAM, who has been a member of and has continuously attended the Grand Lodge of Ohio since 1855, and submitted his first report in 1859, the next ones in 1865, 1866, and 1868, and the present con-

secutive series commenced with 1886, and has continued without interruption.

In these reports and others, which he has prepared for other Bodies,

“for a period now of nearly half a century he can not recall any instance in which he has failed to assert the Supremacy and Sovereignty of Craft Masonry over all other Masonic Grades or Rites building upon its foundation or using its esotery, and that in this connection the ranking prerogative pertains to the first three degrees of the York Rite, and the highest Masonic honor, therefore, that can be conferred upon a Free Mason is that of Grand Master of Masons.

“His defense of Cryptic, Capitular, and Scottish Rite Masonry against the assumptions and detractions of their enemies is in no sense an indication of any preferment thereof over Symbolic Masonry.”

In his introduction, Brother CUNNINGHAM gives an interesting letter from our friend, Brother WM. JAMES HUGHAN, of England, and quotes from the (London) *Freemason*, a paper by another friend of ours, Brother W. J. CHETWODE CRAWLEY, LL.D., of Ireland, on “A Forgotten Episode in Irish Freemasonry,” both of which we should like to quote, did space permit. Brother CUNNINGHAM also makes a number of references to various publications with regard to the giving of “Grand Honors.”

Our Brother, under Illinois, discusses at great length the matter of the relation of Chapters of Royal Arch Masons and Commanderies of Knights Templar to what may be designated as “the Craft degrees,” and we shall be interested to see Brother ROBBINS’S reply.

Under Massachusetts, our Brother quotes from Brother NICKERSON’S paper the “about this time” alleged deputation to Franklin, and “the beginning of Masonry there,”—*i.e.*, Philadelphia. Our Brother should know by this time



that the authority of the so-called "records" of Massachusetts as records has been shaken, and, as a well-known Masonic writer, not a Pennsylvanian, has put it, "their untrustworthiness in historical questions is apparent to all."

Under South Carolina, we are pleased to quote:

"A decision of the Grand Master that an Entered Apprentice can not 'apply for admission by examination at the door of a Lodge,' and that his right of visitation 'can not be extended beyond the Lodge in which the Apprentice has been initiated,' because 'the right of visitation is one of the essential privileges conferred in making a Master Mason,' approved by the Law Committee and concurred in by the Grand Lodge, does not, in the opinion of your Committee coincide with the spirit of the Ancient Charges. An Entered Apprentice *is a Mason*, and therefore should not be deprived of inherent rights as such. Prior, indeed, to the last century, a Lodge of Entered Apprentices was really the controlling Masonic Body, and until 1843—in which year its emasculation commenced in the United States—all Masonic business, except that pertaining to other degrees, was, as it is yet in most other countries, transacted in a Lodge of Entered Apprentices. The usurpation of the rights and privileges of the Entered Apprentice would certainly not make the right of visitation the *exclusive* privilege of a Master Mason."

More than five pages are given to an excellent summary of Pennsylvania for 1903. Referring to Grand Secretary SINN, Brother CUNNINGHAM says, "Of his efficient work, the exhaustive reports of all matters pertaining to the Secretariate are sufficient evidence."

The address of Grand Master TENNIS is "an able, conservative paper," and a long quotation is made therefrom.

Our work ("a conservative and scholarly report") our Brother speaks of "as an able Masonic paper," and we are

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glad to find him agreeing with many of our views. Referring to the printing of unnecessary details in reports of Committees on Grievances, our Brother says,—

“The writer believes that the duty of the Secretary of any Masonic Body, Grand or Subordinate, ‘to record only that which is proper’ is not restricted to ritualistic esotery only, but applies equally to the record or publication of any matter discreditable to the Craft or unjust to a Brother.”

We may say that while the address of Grand Master BROWN is given as the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, that Brother hails from Pittsburgh.

Most Worshipful Brother CLIFFORD G. BALLOU, of Toledo, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JACOB H. BROMWELL, of Cincinnati, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## OKLAHOMA—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Oklahoma began its Twelfth Annual Communication in the Hall of the Masonic Temple of the Oklahoma Consistory, in the City of Guthrie, on Tuesday, February 9, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother SHERMAN P. LARSH, Grand Master.

We see that in Oklahoma, as in New York, the Grand Lodge is opened in Ample Form by the Deputy Grand Master; indeed, we see that the same is the case when it is opened by a Past Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master is a business-like paper. He issued twenty dispensations for new Lodges. Among the dispensations refused, very properly, were two to appear in Masonic clothing “at the funeral of the mother



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of their W. M.," and "at a barbecue and picnic," and his decision that a petition could be received from "a candidate who had been so unfortunate as to lose a foot," "providing he can give all the due signs and summons," was disapproved by the Committee on Law and Usage, and by the Grand Lodge. It appears that the Grand Master made no official visitations whatever.

Number of Lodges, 111, a gain of 19; initiated, 902; total membership, 5219, a gain of 1071. Receipts, including balance, were \$10,332.80; disbursements, \$3527.86; balance, \$6804.94.

Brother W. R. BROWN, the Grand Lecturer, "condemned" unsparingly the use of secret cipher rituals as being unmasonic, inaccurate, and leading to sloth and ignorance wherever they are found."

No action was taken upon the request of Brazil for recognition. At the evening session of the first day, the third degree was conferred "with the accessories of the beautiful scenery and dramatic effects of the Masonic Temple"!

The Masonic Home Fund is growing, and two tracts of land have been offered.

In recording the election of the officers, we are glad to see that first names are given; it seems to us that this should always be done.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is this year by another Brother HUNT, whom we take to be "a chip of the old block," that is, the son of the Grand Secretary, and who is a member of that good Brother's Lodge, Brother F(-RED?) C. HUNT, Assistant Grand Secretary and Chairman of the Committee.

The report is well prepared and interesting. Our Brother does not hesitate to differ with the Dean of the Corps Reportorial, Brother ROBBINS, of Illinois.

We take it that Brother HUNT does not approve of "mixing up the flag business with Masonry," nor do we.

Under Massachusetts, we quote:



“The never ending discussion between Massachusetts and Philadelphia over the honor of being the mother of Freemasonry in America still goes on with some little acrimony in the persistent but interesting debate. Grand Secretary Nickerson appeals to the ancient records of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania containing the statements of eminent Masons of that period in support of Bro. Nickerson’s contention, and to which Bro. Lamberton of the Committee on Correspondence of the Pennsylvania Grand Lodge, retorts with the proposition that the eminent Brethren appealed to by Bro. Nickerson based their conclusions upon the so-called records of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, the genuineness of which is now seriously called in question. The controversy furnishes interesting reading which we may not have the pleasure of reproducing here.”

In spite of the unsatisfactory so-called Massachusetts “records,” Brother HUNT makes a long quotation from Brother NICKERSON’s address, about which we had something to say in our report last year, to which we may refer the reader.

We quote with approval the following under Tennessee:

“Among the decisions, the Grand Master held that an applicant who had more than one-half his foot cut off, and was obliged to wear a cork foot, was not ineligible to the degrees, the Grand Master saying: ‘If you are going to make a Mason of him through his toes, then you cannot do it, but, if you are going to make a Mason of him through his head and heart, you can receive his petition. \* \* \* “The letter of the law killeth, but the spirit giveth life.”’ Such an argument we consider highly sophistical. Masonry possesses certain principles of organization peculiar to itself, and it is a false assumption that the degrees may be communicated to any person through the head or heart alone. Such a theory would enable a helpless paralytic to be brought into a lodge room on a stretcher and receive the degrees if he

was mentally sound. It is a superficial, thoughtless and mischievous doctrine."

The use of a key or cipher was made a Masonic offence. The portrait of the retiring Grand Master forms the frontispiece.

Pennsylvania for 1902 and for 1903 are briefly reviewed. Brother TENNIS's first annual address "is a masterly production, and reflects high honor and credit upon his jurisdiction." Of our Washington celebration it is said,—

"At the special communication held November 5, 1902, the President of the United States, Bro. Theodore Roosevelt, of Matinecock Lodge No. 806, of Oyster Bay, New York, was a visitor, and was introduced by Grand Master Tennis in a few well chosen remarks, after which Bro. Roosevelt addressed the Grand Lodge, and brief remarks were made by several other distinguished visitors."

Referring to our report, Brother HUNT says,—

"He denies that the spires on the tower of the Masonic Temple have any symbolical meaning, but we think the symbolical idea of Bro. Titcomb of Alabama, is all right and that three burning tapers are very faithfully represented. But this is like many other things in symbology where the symbols are subjective and not objective."

We may ask our Brother how he disposes of the fourth "spire."

Grand Master TENNIS's farewell address was "one of his perfect annual addresses." Our report is "full of interest and rich picking for members of the reportorial guild."

Referring to our thought that Grand Lodges should not be incorporated, our Brother says,—



## OREGON.

“ We observe that the Grand Lodge of England has lately made a move in this direction, and that seems to be the natural trend of these modern days.”

We have not noticed any such movement on the part of that Grand Lodge of late. Some years ago, such a move was considered, but was abandoned, and we very greatly doubt its being adopted at this day.

Most Worshipful Brother J. FRANK MATHEWS, of Mangum, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JAMES S. HUNT, of Stillwater, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## OREGON—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Oregon began its Fifty-fourth Annual Communication in Masonic Temple, in the City of Portland, on Wednesday, June 15, A.D. 1904, and closed two days later.

Most Worshipful Brother SILAS M. YORAN, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a short review of the events of the year. A water-spout nearly destroyed the little city of Heppner shortly after the close of the last Annual Communication, and Masonic charity was lovingly dispensed.

The estimated value of the items making up the Educational Fund is \$94,082; and as the need for such a fund has practically passed away with the development of the modern facilities for education, it may now be time to devote the Fund to the procuring of a permanent home for the Grand Lodge.

Number of Lodges, 105; initiated, 540; total membership, 6953, a gain of 548. Receipts, including balance, were \$22,091.37; disbursements, \$6159.51; balance, \$15,931.86.



As last year, a committee was appointed to bear the felicitations of Grand Lodge to Past Grand Treasurer McKERCHER.

Telegraphic greetings were exchanged with Washington and Wisconsin.

A suggestion of the Grand Master to limit what is called "perpetual jurisdiction," met with the approval of the Committee on Law and Jurisprudence, and an amendment to the Constitution was proposed and laid over for a year.

The Grand Orator, Brother W. A. CLELAND, delivered an address on Masonry.

Most Worshipful Brother JACOB MAYER received the thanks of Grand Lodge for his faithful and valuable services as a Trustee of the Educational Fund, he having declined to serve further on account of advancing years.

The portrait of the retiring Grand Master forms the frontispiece, and an interesting biographical sketch is given of that Most Worshipful Brother.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by the Committee, or "Correspondent," Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother JOHN M. HODSON, and abounds in interest and information.

Our Brother does not approve of laying corner-stones on Sunday with Masonic ceremonies, and we agree with him; says to Brother ROBBINS, of Illinois, "Better not invoke the hammer of Thor while you repudiate the Masonry of the country where Thor originated," but we fail to see any connection between Thor and Masonry; he objects to or "kicks" at "full costumes and accessories" in "dramatized form" in exemplifying the work in the Master's degree, "without the least expectation of being able to render the kick effective;" and we again agree both in the "kick" and the expectation with regard to the aforesaid "kick." We also agree with Brother HODSON in objecting to the use of the word regalia when Masonic clothing is intended.

We venture to question very strongly this statement which

our Brother makes when considering the eligibility of one born out of wedlock; and challenge him to produce proof of the same:

“It is a well-known fact that hundreds of the English gentry, and many who were Masons at the time of the first publication of the Charges, were of illegitimate birth.”

So far as “justness” is concerned, it may not be “just” that the son of a slave should be ineligible to be made a Mason according to the teachings of our Fraternity, but it is a *fact* all the same.

Under Texas, after quoting Brother MATTHEWS as to his (Brother HODSON’S) report,—

“From the hurried reading we have of necessity given it, we are pleased to know that upon most questions Masonic we are in accord, while yet there are some upon which, in our views, we are as far apart as the poles, and, so far as we can see, likely to remain so. That, however, is all right, for it would never ‘sorter’ begin to do for everybody to agree with everybody else upon every question,”—

he says,—

“Now, we endorse that in the abstract, but in the concrete we would rather he would agree with us oftener, for he is a strong, rapid writer, and yet calls the Ancient Grand Master’s Prerogative ‘all bosh.’ He tells us that he is over 73 years of age, and only weighs 97 pounds. Well, that only shows that he is old enough to know better than to class a proposition, acknowledged in the constitutions of a large majority of the Grand Lodges, and practiced frequently by Pennsylvania and others of our oldest and most conservative Grand Lodges, who might, we think, in justice, be supposed to know Masonic law and usage, as ‘bosh.’ ”



Our Brethren will be interested in the following, our views being in general agreement with those of our Brother:

“Some rather versatile writers affirm there never was a Grand Lodge nor a Grand Master before the reorganization of Masonry in 1717, and that those elected since have not, nor never had, any prerogatives except what are guaranteed in the constitution of the Grand Lodge electing them. Of course, we deny all such assertions, and affirm that before Grand Lodges were, Grand Masters were elected by General Assemblies of all the Craft, and that certain prerogatives, among which is authority to make Masons at sight, is included, and that they have existed from time to which the memory or knowledge of man runs not to the contrary.”

Our Brother thus begins his review of Pennsylvania for 1903:

“There is nothing small about this Grand Jurisdiction, the Book of Proceedings contains 517 pages, all gotten up in the best style of the ‘Art Preservative.’”

He thinks that “of the many faithful and efficient Grand Masters, whose doings and sayings pass in review before us every year, Brother Tennis most certainly ranks very close to the head of the line and deserves the title ‘Most Worshipful’ instead of Right Worshipful, and when we run up against such a career as his it makes us wish Pennsylvania would change her style.”

We are reminded by this of the question which our Brother asked, and which we answered, in 1900, as to the older usage retained by our Grand Lodge in the use of “Right Worshipful,” and we are likewise reminded that our Brother did not act upon our suggestion, that he look up and see just when the change to “Most Worshipful” was made. We think it



was first applied to the Grand Master and later to the Grand Lodge.

Grand Master BROWN's inaugural was "a very good address."

Our report receives kind consideration, and, in the main, approval. Our Brother explains, what we had suspected, that the reason the late Brother ALLISTON was depicted wearing a fez, was because there was no other suitable picture that could be used. Referring to our dissent from the custom of printing details with regard to suspended or expelled Masons, not being able to see any good gained by telling of the wrong-doings of our Brethren, Brother HODSON says,—

"He may be right, but when a Brother so violates the rules of decorum and his obligations as to incur the penalty of expulsion it seems to us that all the Brethren should be entitled to know it, for complete protection, and the world should be advised that so far as Masonry is concerned he has to it become as the heathen man and publican."

In commenting upon a description of what a report on Correspondence should be ("gossipy, fraternal, instructive, but, above all, interesting"), he says,—

"Then what is to become of us poor fellows who, not 'gossips,' don't know enough to be 'instructive,' and who are principally 'interested' in the complimentary notices from the other members of the guild?"

Our Brother is altogether too modest; we had written our opinion of our Brother's report ("abounds in interest and information") before we took up the consideration of his review of Pennsylvania.

He continues, referring to this writer:

"He is close communion on physical perfection, and holds to the doctrine of perpetual jurisdiction over rejected

material, and also to the necessity of the presence of the charter, in all of which he has the advantage of being thoroughly orthodox. However, we believe that ability to conform to all our ceremonies receive and impart instruction without the aid of artificial appliances, completely fills the requirements of the landmark, and we also believe that it is not only possible but often occurs that rejected material may be very suitable, and that even if it was unsuitable when rejected, that it may have developed good character under new environments, and that there should come a time when past sins should be forgiven. Certainly the Brethren among whom the candidate has resided for a reasonable time should be better able to judge than those who perhaps only knew him as an unruly boy. Besides, we never did believe in eternal punishment for a finite act. As regards the charter, he is strictly correct."

He thinks our usage requiring our Grand Master to be asked to permit a Brother belonging to another Jurisdiction to be buried by a Pennsylvania Lodge is "wrong; entirely too much red tape." As *three telegrams* would settle the whole matter in short order, the quantity of "red tape," if such it be, is hardly excessive.

Our Brother differs from us and approves the rule adopted by New Mexico that "a Mason holding a dimit which is more than one year old is not entitled to any Masonic rights and privileges except that of making application for membership in a lodge," and says,—

"We believe that law is just and right. We have no patience with these Masons at large running all over the pasture, tramping the grass down for nothing, and not helping keep up the fence. We endorse New Mexico."

Is not our Brother a trifle mixed in his metaphors? We must be content to have him differ with us. We see that our Grand Master's middle initial is printed "H" instead of "W."



PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Most Worshipful Brother THOMAS GRAY, of Portland, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JAMES F. ROBINSON, of Eugene, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the Province of Prince Edward Island held its Twenty-ninth Annual Communication in Masonic Temple, in the City of Charlottetown, on Friday, June 24, A.D. 1904.

Most Worshipful Brother BENJAMIN ROGERS, Grand Master.

Although the Annual Communication was held on St. John the Baptist's Day, no reference whatever is made to the fact.

In the list of "Past Grand Officers Present" we note that an "Hon. Past Grand Master" is placed before seven Past Grand Masters; just why, we are at a loss to understand.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is short, being confined to an account of his acts and visitations.

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 14; initiated, 40; total membership, 604, a net loss of 3. Receipts, including balance, were \$768.66; disbursements, \$253.40; balance, \$515.26.

Grand Lecturer Johnson seems to have a proper idea of the duties of such an officer.

We quote from the report on the Grand Master's address, and agree:

"We fear that applicants spring up on the eve of their departure from the Province and it is not in the interest of either masonry in general or the applicant. Unless in very exceptional cases we believe it would be better to allow an applicant who contemplates leaving the Province at so early



a date that it is necessary to get a dispensation to confer the degree in less time than provided for in the constitution, to make his application and get his degrees in the jurisdiction in which he intends making his home."

No report on Correspondence.

Most Worshipful Brother BENJAMIN ROGERS, of Charlottetown, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother NEIL MACKELVIE, of Summerside, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### QUEBEC—1904.

THE Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Quebec, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, held its Thirty-fourth Annual Communication at the Masonic Temple, at the City of Montreal, on Wednesday, January 27, A.D. 1904.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN B. TRESIDDER, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is an interesting paper. He refers with natural pride and pleasure to the part taken by KING EDWARD VII., "the Immediate Past Grand Master of England," in promoting arbitration as a means of adjustment of great and important national questions.

It having been brought to the attention of the Grand Master that a citizen of Rhode Island, who had been rejected there, had been initiated in a Lodge in the Jurisdiction of Quebec, the Grand Master issued instructions to delete the name of the person referred to from the Register of Membership.

The Permanent Beneficial Fund, established two years ago, has grown so that a bed has been endowed in a hospital in Quebec, and it is intended to endow beds in other centres of the Jurisdiction for the use of the Brethren.

Number of Lodges, 57; initiated, 368. Receipts, in-

cluding balance, were \$6543.24; disbursements, \$2670.18; balance, \$3873.06.

Brother the Rev. W. P. R. LEWIS, M.A., delivered an interesting discourse on the connection between Operative and Speculative Masonry.

Costa Rica and Western Australia were recognized, and the Grand Orients of Hayti, Lusitano, and Brazil were deferred.

The report on Correspondence (or "Foreign Communications") is by the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother EDWARD T. D. CHAMBERS (whose middle initials somehow were given by us incorrectly last year). He succeeds admirably in his endeavor "to furnish as much information as the limited space at his disposal will allow, only commenting when comment seems necessary."

These comments are all too few. Under Georgia, our Brother for once speaks freely, and we quote the following, which will be read with interest:

"His [Grand Master MEYERHARDT'S] reference to the 'kingcraft and priestcraft which would fetter the mind and dwarf the soul of man' and his statement that Masonry inscribes upon her banners the grand creative word 'Light' *in lieu of codes and creeds*, though they may make the unskillful laugh, cannot but make the judicious grieve.

"Instead of Light—Masonic or otherwise—taking the place of codes and creeds in our Fraternity, Masonry requires an emphatic declaration of belief in a most comprehensive creed, and a promise of obedience to an unchanging and unchangeable code of laws, from all its votaries, before they are permitted to see even the very faintest glimmering of Masonic Light. It is possible that our good Brother meant something either more or less than his words express; but it appears to us to be not only inadvisable but quite improper to lightly pass over such utterances as tend to convey a false impres-



sion of Masonry,—and the higher the source whence they emanate the more dangerous do they become.

“ We have the very highest regard, esteem and respect for those who differ from us in their views as to forms of Government and religion, and trust that no words of ours may ever be open to the construction of reflecting upon the tenure of such opinions.

“ One cannot but regret the employment of such offensive terms as ‘kingcraft’ and ‘priestcraft’ in a Masonic utterance. Whether we call to mind the frequent reference to the Supreme Ruler of the Universe in the Book of the Law as our ‘King,’ the personality of Him of Whom it is said, ‘Thou art a Priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec,’—whether we call to mind the kingship of the first Grand Master of our Fraternity or that of the late Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England,—whether we dwell upon the Scriptural titles of ‘Kings and Priests of God,’ applied to the elect, or to the recognition of both the kingly and the priestly office by those degrees of Masonry most closely allied to the blue Lodges and formerly attached to them,—we must equally and most emphatically express our regret at the use of the apparently thoughtless words above referred to.”

Pennsylvania for 1903 (“a very large and very sumptuously printed volume”) came just in time to receive our Brother’s kindly notice. He refers with very deep regret to our losses by death. We believe Brother CHAMBERS had met Brothers PERKINS, ARNOLD, and McCONNELL at our Washington celebration. Grand Master TENNIS “delivered a very beautiful address upon retiring from office,” and a number of extracts are given.

After quoting from our introduction what we had written of the origin of the Washington celebration, Brother Chambers says that this writer “is quite justified in his appreciation of that magnificent celebration, the record of which has come to us in a superb volume which occupies a place among



the most highly prized occupants of the rarest of our library shelves.”

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN B. TRESIDDER, of Montreal, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother WILL H. WHYTE, of Montreal, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### RHODE ISLAND—1904.

THE Most Worshipful “The Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations” “assembles” in Semi-Annual Communication in The Freemasons Hall, Providence, on Wednesday, November 16, A.D. 1903.

Most Worshipful Brother W. HOWARD WALKER, Grand Master.

Our good friend and Brother, Grand Secretary WILLIAMS, follows the quaint traditional method of recording the proceedings in the present tense, and this time we do not notice any *lapsus* (not *linguæ*, but) *pennæ*. From his semi-annual report we quote:

“I also wish to mention the receipt of the reprint of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, covering the period from 1779 to 1854. This comes to us in eight substantially bound volumes of over 500 pages each. Our thanks are due to R. . W. . George P. Rupp, Grand Librarian of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, for this valuable addition to our Grand Lodge library.”

We are pleased to read that Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM HENRY SCOTT, whose kindness, as well as that of Brother WILLIAMS, we do not forget, is presented before the East, and the Grand Master presents

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him with the Past Grand Master's jewel and apron, ordered for him at the Annual Communication.

The One Hundred and Fourteenth Annual Communication "assembles" on Monday, May 16.

The annual address of the Grand Master shows a vigilant and efficient Grand Officer.

Number of Lodges, 37; initiated, 369; total membership, 5981, a gain of 99. Receipts, including balance, are \$4050.83; disbursements, \$3264.76; balance, \$786.07.

Upon a favorable report from the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, Western Australia is recognized. The Committee, being in doubt as to whether a particular review of the Proceedings of Sister Jurisdictions is desired, does not prepare such a report, though Grand Master SCOTT had recommended that it should be authorized. Perhaps after the Grand Lodge is out of debt, it will fall into line and have a report on Correspondence prepared, and Massachusetts will do well to go and do likewise.

A portrait in oil of the late Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother NICHOLAS VAN SLYCK is presented to Grand Lodge by his son, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother CYRUS MANCHESTER VAN SLYCK, for which he receives the thanks of Grand Lodge.

For the information of our Brethren who intend to visit "Little Rhody," we call attention to the following:

*"Ordered, That a subordinate Lodge shall not examine any person presenting himself as a visitor unless he shall exhibit a diploma or certificate bearing the seal of a Grand Lodge recognized by this Grand Lodge, showing his membership in a regular subordinate Lodge."*

Two views, exterior and interior, are given of the new Masonic building at Wakefield, which is dedicated April 20, 1904, at which time an address on "The Power of Freemasonry" is delivered by Grand Chaplain Right Worshipful

## SCOTLAND.

Reverend Brother HENRY W. RUGG. The interesting portrait of the retiring Grand Master forms the frontispiece.

Most Worshipful Brother JAMES ELISHA TILLINGHAST, of Providence, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother S. PENROSE WILLIAMS, of Providence, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## SCOTLAND—1904.

THE Grand Lodge of Scotland held a Quarterly Communication in Freemasons' Hall, Edinburgh, on Thursday, November 5, A.D. 1903.

Most Worshipful Brother JAMES HOZIER, M.P., Grand Master Mason.

An Act of Parliament, known as the "Licensing (Scotland) Act, 1903," requires all clubs to be registered, and where a Lodge arranges for its own excisable liquor being sold or supplied in its own premises, it was held to be a "club" within the meaning of the act, and instructions were directed to be sent to the Lodges in Scotland, so that the law might not be violated.

A motion was adopted, which we wonder was not adopted many years ago:

"That after the 1st day of January, 1904, the names and addresses of all candidates for admission shall be either stated in open lodge at a previous meeting or submitted in the notice calling the meeting at which they are to be balloted for."

The Annual Communication for the election and installation of Grand Office Bearers was held in the Royal Arch Masons' Hall, Edinburgh, on Monday, November 30 (St. Andrew's Day).

The Right Worshipful Grand Master Depute, Brother J. D. G. DALRYMPLE, of Woodhead, presented a beautiful sword



to be borne by the Grand Sword-Bearer "for the purpose of resisting any attack upon the sacred person of the Grand Master," the former one being hardly worthy of its position.

At the celebration of the Feast of St. Andrew, which followed, a very large number of Brethren were present, and many interesting speeches were made. In the course of his reply to the toast to his health, the new Grand Master stated that in the previous year no less than 12,035 new Brethren had been entered, a larger number than ever before; that the income of Grand Lodge had been \$54,475; that the grants from the Benevolent Fund amounted to \$4770; that twenty-six charters had been granted; and that the General, the Benevolent, and the Annuity Funds had increased to a total of \$365,700, the total value of Grand Lodge property being nearly \$500,000.

In Glasgow a bazaar was held to place on a sound basis an Annuity Fund for that Province (Glasgow), and over fifty thousand dollars was realized.

A Quarterly Communication was held on Thursday, May 5, 1904, but no business of general interest was transacted.

At the August Quarterly no business of general interest was transacted.

No report on Correspondence.

Most Worshipful Brother the Honorable CHARLES MAULE RAMSAY, of Edinburgh, Grand Master Mason; Right Worshipful Brother DAVID REID, of Edinburgh, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### SOUTH AUSTRALIA—1904.

THE Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of South Australia held its Half-Yearly Communication at Freemasons' Hall, Adelaide, on Wednesday, October 21, A.D. 1903.

Most Worshipful Brother the Honorable Sir SAMUEL J. WAY, Bart., etc., Grand Master.

The Grand Treasurer, Right Worshipful Brother PHILIP SANSOM, having been compelled by ill-health and other circumstances to retire from his station, a letter was ordered sent to him conveying the thanks of the Grand Lodge for his valuable services, and sympathy in his illness.

At the Annual Communication, April 20, 1904, the Very Worshipful Grand Secretary was absent through ill health, he having been granted a vacation of three months. We hope that his health will be restored.

His Excellency the Governor of the Colony, Brother Sir GEORGE R. LEHUNTE, who had held office in the District Grand Lodge in the West Indies, and is now occupying the station of Senior Warden in one of the Lodges of South Australia, was present, and was accorded a hearty welcome by the Grand Master and all the Brethren, and acknowledged the compliment.

Number of Lodges, 44; initiated, 202; total membership, 2760, a gain of four. Receipts, including balance, were \$7955; disbursements, \$5572; balance, \$2383. Fifteen hundred and fifty-five dollars was paid from the Benevolent Fund to Brethren and widows; \$125 was given to four Charitable institutions, while from the permanent Benevolent Fund \$1140 was paid to Brethren and widows of their own Jurisdiction.

No report on Correspondence.

Most Worshipful Brother His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir SAMUEL J. WAY, Bart., P.C., D.C.L., LL.D., Lieutenant-Governor, Chief Justice of South Australia, Chancellor of the University of Adelaide, etc., etc., of Adelaide, Grand Master, re-elected; Very Worshipful Brother J. H. CUNNINGHAM, of Adelaide, Grand Secretary, continued.



## SOUTH CAROLINA—1903.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Freemasons of South Carolina began its One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Charleston, on Tuesday, December 8, A.D. 1903, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother WALTER M. WHITEHEAD, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master is a vigorous paper, showing a year of activity. His decisions did not meet with the entire approval of the Committee on Jurisprudence, but as no action was taken upon their report (at least the Proceedings fail to record it, if it was taken), we presume that the decisions stand approved. There is one which met with the approval of the Committee that we are not entirely satisfied with, that is, the *right* of an Entered Apprentice to visit a Lodge (opened in the first degree) not his own. One statement of the Grand Master amused us. After saying that he “publicly dedicated the new and beautiful hall” of a Lodge, he adds: “The ceremony was performed in the Baptist church, and a large crowd of Brethren and visitors was present to witness the imposing ceremonies”! How a Masonic hall could be dedicated, with or without “imposing ceremonies,” in a Baptist church, is more than we can understand. It must have been done on the *lucus a non lucendo* principle. We regret to say it, but it looks to us very much like advertising.

He reported the death of two Past Grand Masters, Brother ANDREW H. WHITE, Grand Master in 1887 and 1888, and Brother WILLIAM T. BRANCH, Grand Master in 1892–1893; and memorials of these Brethren were adopted.

Number of Lodges, including six under dispensation, 197; “degrees conferred,” 2164; total membership, 7251, a gain of 325. Receipts, including balance, \$12,250.82; disbursements, \$11,287.59; balance, \$963.23.



## SOUTH CAROLINA.

In the afternoon of the first day, the corner-stone of the Gibbes Memorial Art Building was laid with Masonic ceremonies. In South Carolina, the Committee on Foreign Correspondence considers the report on Correspondence which the Grand Secretary has prepared, and reports thereon to Grand Lodge. This year the Committee again felicitates the Grand Lodge on having such an accomplished Correspondence writer, and well it may. The Committee suggested that lithographs of the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary should be incorporated in the Proceedings, and we are very glad to have portraits of both the retiring and incoming Grand Masters as well as that of Grand Secretary INGLESBY, which we are especially interested to see.

The amendment proposed last year, providing for a board to whom all applications for a modification of the article on physical qualification might be made, and, if a majority were of the opinion that the party "can literally comply with all the requirements of the ritual," authorizing the Grand Master to issue a dispensation, was defeated, both by vote of individuals and of Lodges, the vote of the latter being 242 for and 197 against the change, a two-thirds vote being necessary to adopt. Some of those favoring letting down the bars are not satisfied, and two amendments, one ungrammatical, were proposed, which will come up next year. We hope old South Carolina will not be carried away by mere sentiment. A resolution that the Grand Secretary be instructed to exchange new for mutilated property on "the payment of the sum of two dollars each" is not entirely luminous to us. "Each" what?

A handsome oil portrait of Past Grand Master Brother R. FURMAN DIVVER was presented on behalf of Hiram Lodge to Grand Lodge, and accepted by the Grand Master.

An excursion and oyster roast was provided by the Charleston Brethren on the afternoon of the second day.

The report on Correspondence is the Twenty-seventh from the practised hand of the Grand Secretary, Right Worship-

ful Brother CHARLES INGLESBY. We agree with our Brother in thinking that as the Master of the Lodge is responsible for the work, he alone passes upon the question of proficiency; that the social features of Masonry should be cherished and promoted; and that "heartly cheering" and "frequent applause" are as much out of place in a Masonic lodge-room as in a church.

Under Georgia, referring to the decision which we commented upon last year, that it was unmasonic conduct for a petitioner for initiation and membership to conceal the fact that he had escaped from the penitentiary, and after that had led a blameless life for ten years, Brother INGLESBY says,—

"If this is so, then it logically follows, according to this decision, that there can be no repentance or forgiveness for this poor brother. It is an absolute negation of the old doctrine, that 'while the lamp holds out to burn, the vilest sinner may return.'"

Under Mississippi, referring to the reception of an "Imperial Potentate," he says,—

"We think it high time that this sort of thing should stop. The Shriners themselves say that they are not a Masonic organization. Not long ago we saw accounts of some very disgraceful doings in a Shriners conclave, or whatever they call their Assemblies. Then we every now and then see some fraternization with Odd Fellows, with the order of the Eastern Star, etc., etc. We think it a degradation of Masonry to put it on the footing of these new fangled so-called orders."

Under Utah, we quote:

"The Grand Master narrates what he declares to be 'a peculiar incident.' We see nothing peculiar about it. Last May, a highly respected gentleman, residing in Salt Lake City for the past two years, applied to one of the Salt Lake City Lodges for the degrees. The candidate informed the



Master that some four years before, he had been rejected by a Lodge in Pittsburg, Pa. Bro. Diehl, the Grand Secretary, who is also Secretary of the Lodge, being familiar with the perpetual jurisdiction clause in the Pennsylvania Ahiman Rezon, proposed to first procure a waiver of jurisdiction from the rejecting lodge. This was applied for by the Grand Master of Utah, through the Grand Master of Pennsylvania, who immediately referred the matter to the rejecting lodge,—and in due course, after hearing from the rejecting lodge, the Grand Master of Pennsylvania, notified his M. W. Bro. of Utah, ‘that Masonic objection still exists.’ This all seems to us to be entirely regular and demonstrates that ‘perpetual jurisdiction’ over rejected material is the true Masonic doctrine and best conserves the interests of Masonry and the peace, harmony and comity which should subsist between Lodges and Grand Lodges.”

Generous review is given to Pennsylvania for 1903. A page is taken up with an account of our Washington celebration, and our Brother “thankfully acknowledges for the Grand Lodge of A. F. M. of South Carolina the receipt of one of these splendid [Memorial] volumes and one for ourself.”

Grand Master TENNIS’s address is quoted from at length, and in general with approval. One decision is not approved, that a Representative of the Lodge must vote for the candidate for whom the Past Masters direct him to vote, and that the Lodge cannot instruct him to vote for any particular candidate.

We think that if our Brother will again consider just what the decision decides, he may be able to approve it. The decision refers to the voting for the Grand Officers, and every Past Master, in good standing of course, has a vote which belongs to him, and which the Lodge cannot by instructions control, although on other subjects it may control its own Representative; and having the right to cast his



vote, the Past Master may, if he cannot be present in Grand Lodge, instruct the Representative of the Lodge how his vote shall be cast. If no instructions are given by the Past Masters, he, the Representative, being for that purpose their representative, may cast their votes as he thinks best.

Our report is courteously considered. We shall hope soon to give for the benefit of Brother INGLESBY and others, the letter of our Grand Officers issued in September, 1865, at the close of the Civil War. Our Brother is quite satisfied with his method of printing his report, which method, while clear to its author, is not always clear to all his readers.

At the close of his review of Pennsylvania, our Brother records the receipt of the "In Memoriam" of Past Grand Master ARNOLD, and, after speaking of its contents, adds:

"In our review in 1901 we noted Bro. Arnold's illness with regret. In 1902 we noted with rejoicing his recovery and presence in Grand Lodge,—and now alas, we are noting his lamented death! He had been actively identified with the Fraternity for thirty-two years, and filled the stations of the highest dignity in his Subordinate and in the Grand Lodge, with honor to himself and great advantage to the Craft. He was a bright and shining light in American Freemasonry and his death is universally deplored."

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN R. BELLINGER, of Bamberg, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother CHARLES INGLESBY, of Charleston, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### SOUTH DAKOTA—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the State of South Dakota began its Thirtieth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Yankton, on Tuesday, June 14, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother BYRON P. DAGUE, Grand Master.

An address of welcome on behalf of the city and St. Johns Lodge, No. 1, was delivered by Brother JOHN HOLMAN, to which Deputy Grand Master GOODNER responded.

The address of the Grand Master shows an earnest and faithful official. He reported the death of Right Worshipful Past Deputy Grand Master Brother ROBERT C. HAWKINS, whose portrait is given, as is that of the retiring Grand Master. We also have interesting views of the commodious rooms of the new Grand Secretary's office, which has been removed from Flandreau to Sioux Falls. It appears from a letter in the Grand Master's address that in South Dakota the Grand Lodge is opened in "Ample Form" by a Past Grand Master when acting as Special Deputy Grand Master. The Grand Master is sound in his views as to granting dispensations to confer degrees "out of time." We think he was wise in refusing a dispensation to hold a public Lodge of Sorrow on the anniversary of the death of a Brother, the family of the deceased having objected to a Masonic funeral at the time of burial. Fraternal greetings were exchanged with Wisconsin by wire.

Number of Lodges, 103; raised, 319; total membership, 5710, a gain of 266 in ten months. Receipts, including balance, were \$10,927.36; disbursements, \$5554.42; balance, \$5372.94.

Grand Lodge concurred in a report of the Committee on Jurisprudence, which emphatically declared

"that the printing of Masonic emblems, words or anything of a Masonic nature, or the listing of Masonic bodies to which a party belongs, on a business card, or any other sign which might be used for advertising purposes is un-Masonic conduct, and the offender should be dealt with according to our Grand Lodge By-Laws."



The report on Correspondence is by the Committee, Brother SAMUEL A. BROWN, M.D., and, like its four predecessors, is excellent. We are very much pleased with the manner in which the report and the proceedings of this Jurisdiction are printed.

While pleased that he is of Scotch-Quaker stock, which "settled in Philadelphia under Wm. Penn," we regret to have to differ with Brother BROWN at the start, but under Alabama, he says,—

"We own to being sentimentally shocked with Missouri and Manitoba for admitting cripples into Masonry, but it is only a sentiment without much reason."

We think there is abundance of reason. We may add that when we met Brother PARVIN, of Iowa, some years ago, he was not "crippled up." We are with Brother BROWN, however, in not believing in honorary rank.

Under Florida, we find the following:

"We take back anything we said reflecting upon Brother Chetwood Crawley's giving George Washington the title of Grand Master of Pennsylvania. The more we read of that brother's work the more are we disposed to believe that the officers of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania who notified the brethren in Ireland made the mistake. It seems incredible, but we stand by Brother Crawley."

We are very glad that Brother BROWN has learned to appreciate our friend Brother W. J. CHETWODE CRAWLEY, but in view especially of our reference to the minutes of our Grand Lodge, about the time of WASHINGTON'S death, which he can now doubtless consult in the office of the Grand Secretary, his remark as to where the mistake occurred strikes us as childish.

We are glad to quote him under Missouri, referring to Brother KUHN:



“He deprecates the habit of parading on all kinds of occasions, and declares that he had to refuse permission for any number of parades. He thinks with us that the parade made by a large attendance at a brother’s funeral is the best of all, not only as showing the true spirit of the Lodge, but also in its effect upon the community.”

Under North Dakota, Brother BROWN dissents from the pedigree of his Grand Lodge, which was stated by Brother RODRIGUEZ to have been derived thus:

“Tracing paternity of our own Grand Lodge of North Dakota, we find that England chartered Pennsylvania in 1730; Pennsylvania chartered Missouri in 1807; from Missouri sprang Iowa, 1840; from Iowa, Dakota, in 1862, and from her in turn North and South Dakota in 1889;”

and says,—

“In the first place our Masonry is not derived from the Grand Lodge of England established in 1717, but from the Grand Mother Lodge Kilwinning, which has preserved written minutes of the second century before the Grand Lodge of England was born. In the second place, Pennsylvania has no place in our pedigree. The Lodge established by Pennsylvania in Missouri was not to be found when the Grand Lodge of Missouri was formed in 1821. That Grand Lodge was formed by three Tennessee Lodges, Nos. 13, 25 and 28, and the first Lodge to join afterwards was an Indiana Lodge working under dispensation.”

We notice a creditable disposition on the part of our Brother to show an inquiring frame of mind, and some of his queries we fancy may be somewhat difficult to answer.

Pennsylvania for 1903, or rather the Annual Grand Communication and our report, receive kindly review. Noting his remark as to the percentage of Lodges represented at that Communication, we may say to our Brother that the Quar-

terly Communication in December is the one at which the election of Grand Officers takes place, and corresponds more nearly to the Annual Communication in our Brother's Jurisdiction.

In referring to Grand Master TENNIS's statement that "Ancient Craft Masonry begins with the Entered Apprentice Degree and ends with the Royal Arch Degree," Brother BROWN says,—

"We should have limited this assertion to the Entered Apprentice Degree, had we been called upon to make a declaration upon the subject. Perhaps the Fellow Craft and the Mark Degrees would have been included, but had we gone farther than that, we should not have stopped with the Royal Arch. But we have much to learn about Ancient Craft Masonry yet."

We may explain a decision which our Brother does not understand. When a Master Mason wishes to be further advanced, or, in other words, wishes to apply for membership in the Chapter, he must secure from the District Deputy Grand Master a dispensation addressed to the Master and Past Masters of his Lodge, authorizing him to be passed to the Chair. Whether action shall be taken under this dispensation is for the Lodge to say, and "the vote on a dispensation to pass to the Chair is decided by a majority of those present."

Our Brother says,—

"The Mystic Shrine must be conducting itself well in Pennsylvania, as the Grand Master laid the corner stone of its Lu Lu Temple."

We appreciate our Brothers' commendation of our report, which is kindly said to be "carefully prepared and scholarly," and several quotations are made therefrom.

Most Worshipful Brother IVAN W. GOODNER, of Pierre, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother GEORGE A. PETTIGREW, of Sioux Falls, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



## TENNESSEE—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Tennessee began its Ninetieth Annual Communication at Freemasons' Hall, in the City of Nashville, on Wednesday, January 27, A.D. 1904, and closed two days later.

Most Worshipful Brother EDMUND P. McQUEEN, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a sound paper. He is right in thinking it not good policy to remit dues on account of age. He had to record the death of Past Grand Master Brother BUN F. PRICE, whose loss was greatly regretted by Grand Lodge.

Past Grand Master INGERSOLL, whom we had with much pleasure anticipated meeting at Boston in October, but who failed to join us, presented an able memorial of the departed Brother. A Past Grand Master's jewel was presented, on behalf of a number of Lodges, to Past Grand Master Brother ISAAC J. THURMAN. The portrait of the new Grand Master appropriately forms the frontispiece, and an interesting biographical sketch is also given.

In addition to the Grand Master's visitations, good work in the matter was done by Deputy Grand Master SLOAN, who in his report says that he visited twenty-two Lodges that had never been visited before by a Grand Officer. He concludes:

"In making these visitations the points were reached mainly by private conveyances, and 415 miles were covered by horse and buggy. Altogether, the past year was the brightest and most pleasant of my Masonic life."

Grand Secretary GARRETT was likewise faithful and efficient in this very important matter, making seventy-eight visitations, at which he was greeted by two thousand five hundred Brethren, representing four hundred and ninety-one Lodges, of his own and other Jurisdictions.



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Number of Lodges, 425; initiated, 1582; total membership, 18,555, a gain of 724. Receipts, including balance, were \$49,938.56; disbursements, \$24,443.92; balance, \$25,494.64.

The Home is doing its good work effectively. The average number of inmates was 114.75, and the average cost per year per inmate \$91.87. The children of the Home gave their annual entertainment on Wednesday afternoon, ninety-eight children taking part.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother HENRY A. CHAMBERS, the reviews of the Grand Lodges of Great Britain, and its dependencies being the work of Brother ROBERT WALTON, whose work last year was so acceptable to his Brethren and to the Guild. To the third member of the Committee had been assigned the Proceedings of Grand Lodges using the German and kindred languages, with which he was familiar; he undertook the work, but failed to make any report.

We regard Brother CHAMBERS's report as distinctly very valuable; it would be most useful if a report on the lines which Brother CHAMBERS has selected were prepared by some one writer each year; but we think that if the same sort of a report were given to the Brethren of Tennessee every year, they would tire of it. Our Brother is certainly at home with figures. In his introduction he says,—

“In the course of our labors we have often been tempted to linger over, quote from and comment on gems of eloquence and rare pieces of fine expression that we have found in the addresses of Grand Masters, Grand Orators, speakers on memorial occasions, celebrations, laying of corner-stones, etc., and in the reviews by Committees on Correspondence, but we have felt that we could not do this and at the same time embody in our Report the Masonic facts and information from other Grand Jurisdictions to which our Tennessee

Brethren were entitled, without making this Report too long."

He also had in mind the tendency to overdo the matter of interchange of compliments on the part of some of the writers of these reports, and, "as a new member of the Guild, has been inclined, at the risk of adverse criticism from other reviewers, to quote rather than to comment, and thus leave the reader to draw his own conclusions."

Before presenting his separate reviews, he gives "as a matter of great general Masonic and historical interest to Tennessee and all American Masons, some extracts from the exceedingly valuable address" of this writer on "George Washington as a Freemason," at the Celebration of the Sesqui-centennial Anniversary of the Initiation of WASHINGTON, on November 5, 1902.

Our Brother, as may be anticipated, is frugal in his comments; under North Carolina, we are glad to find:

"The writer of this review is a native of North Carolina, served her as a soldier from 1861 to 1865, and obtained his Masonic degrees in Catawba Valley Lodge, No. 217, at Morganton, after the civil war, and was Senior Warden of that Lodge when he removed to Tennessee in January, 1867. He is proud of his native State, and must accordingly be pardoned by his Tennessee Brethren for his labor of love in the length of this sketch."

He commends very wisely the New York plan of having an official historian, and publishing in the Proceedings, each year successively, instalments of an authoritative general history of the Fraternity within the State, embracing therein also a history of each particular Lodge.

Pennsylvania for 1902 is considered, and, dating from our existence as an *independent* Grand Lodge (1786), "the One Hundred and Sixteenth Annual [Grand] Communication"



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was the one chiefly reviewed. After giving the dates of the Quarterly and Special Communications, Brother Chambers proceeds:

Population: White, 6,141,664; colored, etc., 160,451; total....6,302,115  
 Males, 3,204,541; white, about ninety-seven and one-third per cent, or .....3,119,086  
 White males of voting age .....1,763,482  
 Members of Lodges December 27, 1901 ..... 59,826

“ This is about five-sixths of one per cent of entire population, one and two-thirds per cent, or nearly two out of every one hundred white males of all ages and conditions, and about three and one-third per cent, or over three out of every one hundred white males of voting age.

Chartered Lodges on roll of Grand Lodge .....	439
Chartered Lodges represented in Grand Lodge .....	274
Chartered Lodges making returns to Grand Lodge .....	439
Chartered Lodges paying dues to Grand Lodge .....	...
Charters granted .....	1

“ The largest Lodge is Washington, No. 59, at Philadelphia, with 559 members. One other has 511, and eight others have between 400 and 500 members. The smallest chartered Lodge is Henry W. Williams, No. 624, at Philadelphia, with twenty-one members.

Members of Lodges, December 27, 1900 .....	57,266
Rejected .....	.....
Initiated .....	4,009
Passed .....	.....
Raised .....	.....
Affiliated .....	592
Reinstated .....	— 4,601
Resigned during the year .....	411
Died during the year .....	1,071
Suspended and expelled during the year .....	559— 2,041
Net gain, about four and one-half per cent, or .....	2,560
Total members, December 27, 1901 .....	59,826



“Grand Lodge dues collected, about \$1 per member, or \$59,757.42.

“This Grand Lodge has Quarterly and Annual Communications, making five altogether each year, which may account for the small number of Lodges represented at any one Communication. The largest number represented at any of these five Communications was 274, as above shown, at the Quarterly Communication, December 3. Only eighty-seven were represented at the Annual Communication, December 27.

“Publication in full of the minutes of the business done at all of these five Communications would, we presume, make a larger volume than is deemed necessary. The handsomely printed and illustrated volume of 367 pages sent us for review is entitled merely an ‘Abstract of the Proceedings,’ etc.

“While the number of Lodges represented at each meeting is given, it nowhere appears how many representatives those Lodges had present. At the Quarterly Communication held at Philadelphia, December 3, 1902, mentioned above as having the larger number of Lodges represented there were present, Grand Officers, twenty-two; Past Grand Masters, four; District Deputy Grand Masters, thirty.

“The attendance at the Annual Communication on December 27, was much smaller, and only eighty-seven Lodges out of the 439 were represented.”

Our Brother would have been more accurate in his enumeration of those present at the Quarterly Communication in December, which is the one, we may explain, at which the annual election of Grand Officers takes place, if, instead of “Grand Officers, twenty-two,” he had said, “Grand Officers, six; other officers of the Grand Lodge, sixteen.”

Generous quotations are made from Grand Master TENNIS’s annual address.

Of our Washington celebration, Brother CHAMBERS says,—

“THE GEORGE WASHINGTON SESQUI-CENTENNIAL.

“November 5, 1902, was a red-letter day with our Pennsylvania Brethren. On that day their Grand Lodge celebrated the 150th anniversary of the initiation of George Washington into the Fraternity. Three hundred and forty-one Pennsylvania Lodges were represented. The President of the United States, Governor of Pennsylvania, and the Grand Masters of Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Idaho, Maryland, Massachusetts, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, and Virginia, and a great many other distinguished Masons were present.

“We received a copy of the superb Memorial Volume issued by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, in which, with many illustrations, a full account is given of this great occasion, including the addresses made. If space permitted we would like to comment thereon for the benefit of the Tennessee Brethren, but this review is already too long for that. We think, however, that the Pennsylvania Grand Master could not be surpassed, and that we are fully justified in quoting some portions of his Address in regard to this great Masonic historical event.”

Which he proceeds to do.

Under our Brother's plan, our report is not considered. His review concludes:

“The Grand Lodge maintains a library of 13,084 volumes, to which the number of visitors during the year was 30,398.”

Most Worshipful Brother JAMES L. SLOAN, of Linden, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JOHN B. GARRETT, of Nashville, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



## TEXAS—1903.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, began its Sixty-eighth Grand Annual Communication at the Masonic Temple, in the City of Waco, on Tuesday, December 1, A.D. 1903, and closed two days later.

Most Worshipful Brother W. M. FLY, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master is vigorous and forceful. He refers naturally to this, the first, Communication in the new abiding-place of Grand Lodge, the beautiful city of Waco, the Temple at Houston having been sold, as directed by Grand Lodge. He wisely urges caution in admitting any but the best to the Fraternity, and equally wisely refused to lay corner-stones of wooden buildings, ably sustaining his position in well-chosen terms.

The Grand Master chronicled the death of Past Grand Master Brother JAMES F. MILLER, and later an admirable memorial was presented by the Grand Master and adopted by a rising vote.

What amount was realized from the sale of the Houston Temple we do not find, although it is stated that it "is set forth in a report of a sub-committee, which is hereto attached and made a part hereof," all of which does not at first appear.

Later on we came upon the report referred to, and find that the highest bid was \$100,000, which was accepted. Grand Lodge finally decided that a Temple should be built at Waco for \$150,000.

Number of Lodges, 683, a net gain of 8; Entered Apprentices, 1698; total membership, 32,384, a gain of 816. Receipts, including balance, were \$43,300.14; disbursements, \$25,592.18; balance, \$17,707.96.

The Widows' and Orphans' Home cares for one hundred and twenty-five children and six widows. We are very much pleased to see that it is well covered by insurance.

The McLeary ring was duly transmitted by the retiring



Grand Master, who was the recipient of a Past Grand Master's jewel, to his successor, whose portrait forms, appropriately, the frontispiece. We have also the portrait of Most Worshipful Brother Jos. D. SAYRES, who was Grand Master in 1875.

The report of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence is as usual by the veteran Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother THOMAS M. MATTHEWS, SR., whose work indeed speaks for itself. (He tells us that he is "seventy-three years old past and weighs just ninety-seven pounds." He is anything but a light weight when it comes to writing reports on Correspondence.) We may say that we have an objection to it,—there are so many passages we should like to quote.

Under Arizona, he well says,—

"Go to printing the secret work, and our ancient and honorable institution will soon be on a level with and no better than the latter day secret societies that now infest the country."

Likewise, under Colorado:

"Like our brother, we do not believe there are in Masonry any such things as 'Private Grand Honors.' We have for fifty years been a Mason, and studied Masonry somewhat, and until in very recent years had never heard of them, and even now we do not know what they are. With Bro. Jenks, we look upon them as 'a fad.'"

Brother MATTHEWS rightly objects to "anything like joint ownership and control" in the matter of a Masonic Home, and regards the display of flags in the Lodge-room as an innovation, as do we; thinks that the order on the title-page of the Proceedings—that they be read in all Lodges under this Jurisdiction for the information of the Brethren—"is a dead letter on the statute book and should be expunged," as

it should; and objects to having a room which has been solemnly dedicated to Masonic purposes used for any other.

As it fits in with our thought, we copy a quotation which our Brother uses twice:

“ If you have anything good to say of a man,  
Say it before he is called to rest,  
For eulogy spoken when hearts are broken  
Is but an empty thing at best.”

Under Washington, we quote the following showing the attitude of Texas with regard to the Grand Lodge of Washington:

“ We will, therefore, only say now: If the Grand Lodge of Washington will itself adopt, in clear-cut, unmistakable language, a resolution REPEALING, without any quibbling or circumlocution, as it did in the case of the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, the declaration that she made, that she reserved to herself the right to pass upon, under any and all circumstances, the legitimacy or regularity of every one claiming to be a Mason, who may come within her jurisdiction, then the Grand Lodge of Texas will, and as we feel sure every other Grand Lodge upon the continent will, be perfectly satisfied, and will most cheerfully resume fraternal relations. Will the Grand Lodge of Washington do this? We will see.”

Brother MATTHEWS begins his review of Pennsylvania for 1902 as follows:

“ R. W. Bro. William A. Sims [*sic*], the Grand Secretary, always gets out a handsome volume, and the one that has just come to us, containing the proceedings of his Grand Lodge for the year 1902, is none behind its predecessors in appearance. It is embellished with a cut of the beautiful and imposing Masonic Temple, and an excellent likeness of Washington.”

Last year we had occasion to call Grand Secretary WATSON's attention to his misspelling of Brother SINN's name, and we are pleased to see that this year he has corrected it, but Brother MATTHEWS in this place omitted to make the correction, which he does when he mentions Brother SINN's reelection.

Our doings are well summarized. Grand Master TENNIS's address, "taken as a whole is an exceptionally fine Masonic paper, broad gauged, but conservative, and will well repay a careful and thoughtful reading."

Referring to his "rulings,"—

"The Grand Master reports quite a number of rulings. They are all in the main constructions of the local laws, and, while more strenuous and of the iron-clad order than those of a majority of the other jurisdictions, especially in the matter of the qualifications of candidates, we in the main agree therewith. We believe that while Masonry owes nothing to the profane, is under no obligation whatever to him, and should not relax its rules, nor violate any of the Landmarks in his especial interest, yet we do not believe in the very strict and unyielding construction of the 'perfect youth' dogma, as held by some few of the Grand Lodges. Nor do we believe that 'the fathers' so intended.

"To one of his rulings we would enter a demurrer—that 'ladies cannot attend a banquet given under the direction or at the expense of a lodge. If ladies are invited, the expense must be borne by individuals, and not by the lodge.'

"We hold and believe that the Grand Lodge has a right to control the funds of, and to see to it and require that, a lodge should pay its dues to the Grand Lodge, and that it should not use its funds for immoral purposes, but after that has been done, the lodge is the custodian of its own funds, and has the right to use them as a majority of the members see fit. For the Grand Lodge to say you shall, or shall not, dispose of your funds except in a certain way, unless the



question of morality be involved, we think, is too autocratic, is going a little too far."

Our report comprises "an excellent epitome of the year's doings." Our Brother thanks us for our compliments to him, and tells us that their rules of Masonic burial are not unlike ours, and if a different impression was given, it was unintentional.

We feel constrained to copy our Brother's postscript, as it were:

"Through the courtesy of Bro. James M. Lamberton, just as we are arranging our report for the printer, we are in receipt of the splendid Souvenir Memorial Volume of the special communication held November 5, 1902, in commemoration of the sesqui-centennial of the initiation of George Washington into the mysteries of Freemasonry. We understand that a copy was long since forwarded to us through Bro. Grand Secretary Watson, at Houston, but either through the carelessness of the express company, or, owing to the confusion incident to the moving of the archives, etc., of the Grand Lodge to its new home, in the city of Waco, the volume was lost. At all events, we have never received it. In fact, we did not know it had been sent until a short time since, when we received a letter from Bro. Lamberton inquiring why we had never acknowledged its receipt. Upon informing him of the facts, he kindly sent us a duplicate copy.

"To give this magnificent book such a notice as it deserves, would be impossible in an article like this, and much more so in the very limited time we have now at our disposal. We have not had time for more than a glance through it. Its makeup, for which Bro. L. deserves the credit, could not be surpassed. There were present on the occasion, seven Past Grand Masters, distinguished guests from fourteen Grand Jurisdictions, the President of the United States, Bro. Roosevelt, and the representatives of 341 lodges.

“ The welcome address was made by Grand Master Tennis, and responded to by Grand Master Gallagher of Massachusetts.

“ What was intended to be *the address* of the occasion was that of the President, on ‘ Freemasonry and Citizenship,’ and while it was a splendid effort, by far the more interesting to us is the address of Bro. James M. Lamberton, upon ‘ Washington as a Freemason,’ which, apart from its intrinsic value as an ornate, literary production, is invaluable as an historical paper.

“ The volume contains the portraits of Washington, President Roosevelt, the Sesqui-Centennial Committee, photographs of the Washington relics, the loan exhibition of Washingtonia, the banquet hall and its decorations, and Washington’s reply to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania December 27, 1796. Houdon’s statue of Washington, as it stands in the Capitol Building of the ‘ Old Dominion’ in ‘ Proud Richmond on the James,’ before which, when but a boy, we have often stood with uncovered head and gazed with wonder and admiration, is embossed in white on the purple cover of the menu.

“ But why go on? We cannot now, if indeed at all, do justice to the time or the occasion. We again kindly thank Bro. Lamberton for sending us this duplicate. We have given it the second place of honor in our house—placed it next to our old Family Bible.”

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM JAMES, of Fort Worth, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JOHN WATSON, of Waco, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



UTAH—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Utah began its Thirty-third Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, Salt Lake City, on Tuesday, January 19, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother WALTER SCOTT, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master is a sensible, excellent paper. He made a very excellent suggestion, that when Masons appear in public in Masonic clothing, the apron should be a lambskin, and the Brother "not girded with a cotton cloth." He recorded the death of Past Grand Master DALBY; and the memorial page says of him: "A warm-hearted man, a devoted friend, a zealous Mason—sincerely loved; deeply mourned." A portrait is given, and one also of the new Grand Master, Brother CONELY, who was advanced to the Grand East of this Grand Lodge in seven years and eleven months after he was initiated, which seems a little rapid.

Grand Secretary DIEHL submitted his thirty-second annual report, complete as usual.

Number of Lodges, including one new one, 11; initiated, 103, a gain of 68. Receipts, \$5215.39; disbursements, \$1723.83; balance, \$3491.56.

In his report as Librarian, Brother DIEHL reports the receipt of "two volumes of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania from 1840 to 1854," and the Memorial Volume of our Washington celebration.

Hereafter the Grand Master is to arrange for and hold a "Lodge of Sorrow" toward the end of his term, as he recommended, and the oration of Brother CHARLES S. VARIAN, at a Lodge of Sorrow which was held under the Grand Master's direction in December, was directed to be printed in the Proceedings, which was done.

The Committee to formulate a list of physical disabilities which should debar a candidate from receiving the degrees,



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was discharged, and a paper by Grand Secretary DIEHL, on the "Perfect Youth Doctrine," was ordered printed with the Proceedings, but Brother DIEHL explains in a note that "La Grippe, which again played havoc with our body and soul for several weeks," delayed the publication of the Proceedings and prevented him from revising his paper referred to above, and it is not given.

The Emery signet ring was duly transmitted to the incoming Grand Master by the retiring Grand Master, who was the recipient of a Past Grand Master's jewel.

A banquet was tendered to the Grand Lodge at the close of the Communication by the Lodges of Salt Lake City.

The report on Correspondence is by the Correspondent, Right Worshipful Brother CHRISTOPHER DIEHL, Grand Secretary, and is in his usual breezy (we wish to be understood as saying breezy, not windy) and interesting style, which is enjoyed by his Brethren.

Under Kansas, we are interested to have our Brother say,—

"My cradle stood not far from the River Rhein, but for the last 47 years I have been an American citizen with heart and soul, and as such keep in touch with the affairs and progress of our glorious Republic. That is the duty of every American citizen, more especially of one who did cast his first vote for John Charles Fremont. How does that strike you?"

After reading the following, under Illinois, we are tempted to be envious of Brother ROBBINS:

"He [Brother ROBBINS] fears that our Grand Lodge, when it appointed a committee to formulate a list of physical disabilities which shall disbar a candidate from receiving the degrees, 'started out on an unwise chase.' We fear so, too, and hope a report of that kind will never be adopted.

We always have been, and ever will be opposed to it. We can assure Brother Robbins that if he ever should set his feet under the table of the Diehl family, the boss of the house would set before him dishes that would make his mouth water. She has learned the art of cooking in the old Fatherland. Now, Bro. Robbins, remember the latchstring of our home is on the outside."

We agree, under Connecticut:

"He [Brother BARLOW] was one of the guests at the Sesqui-Centennial Anniversary of the Initiation of Bro. George Washington at Philadelphia, and the assembling of so many distinguished Masons suggested to them the thought of the formation of a Sovereign or Supreme Body, composed of delegates from each Grand Jurisdiction, which 'would be the means of much good, and must in time take place.' May the time never come, and may the formation of a Supreme Grand Lodge be a dream forever."

Pennsylvania for 1902 is well and kindly summarized. After telling of our Washington celebration, Brother DIEHL says,—

"A full account of the celebration was published in a separate volume, which is in our Grand Lodge Library. The Brethren are invited to call and examine the book and enjoy its contents. We assure them that it will be a grand treat. There are eloquent speeches and the portraits are just beautiful."

After speaking of our finances and our Library, our Brother says, "Freemasonry in Pennsylvania is a great institution, sure enough." Grand Master TENNIS's address is "a dignified document and is replete with interest," and Brother DIEHL thinks that the Brethren of Pennsylvania



have "a right to glory in the splendid achievements" since it became, in 1786, an independent Grand Lodge. He says the decision as to late hours "wouldn't bother our Salt Lake Lodges, simply because the cars stop running at 12 o'clock." Three sentences dispose of our report, our Brother promising that we shall not be deprived again of our middle initial.

Most Worshipful Brother RICHARD L. CONELY, of Salt Lake City, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother CHRISTOPHER DIEHL, of Salt Lake City, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### VERMONT—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Vermont began its One Hundred and Eleventh Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Burlington, on Wednesday, June 15, A.D. 1904, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother OLIN W. DALEY, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master shows an intelligent and energetic administration of the high and responsible duties of his exalted station. The death of the Grand Junior Warden (who was buried apparently as Grand *Senior* Warden), of Right Worshipful Brother MYRON J. HORTON, and of Past Grand Master WEBSTER, caused sorrow to the Vermont Brethren, who took fitting action to record that sorrow. A portrait of the late Grand Junior Warden forms the frontispiece. The Grand Master conceived the plan of holding a Lodge of Sorrow, which was held the afternoon of the first day in a very impressive manner, made the arrangements, and paid the expenses himself, for which he was voted the thanks of Grand Lodge. The tributes to the departed were well conceived and beautifully expressed.

Past Grand Master DAVIS, now a resident of South Dakota, expressed in a beautiful letter his appreciation of the



gift of a Past Grand Master's apron, to which we referred in our report last year.

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 103; raised, 607; total membership, 11,288, a gain of 305. Receipts, including balance, were \$6760.82; disbursements, \$4506.99; balance, \$2253.83.

A Past Grand Masters' jewel was ordered for "the retiring" (?) Grand Master, who was re-elected!

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is, as usual, by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother MARSH O. PERKINS, and is an excellent paper, very largely written.

We are interested to see that he thinks that the Grand Secretary of his Grand Lodge should be authorized to secure membership for the Grand Lodge in the Correspondence Circle of Quatuor Coronati, No. 2076, of London, England.

We agree with our Brother, under Arizona:

"Asked as to whether a lodge should take part in the ceremony of laying the corner-stone of a church on Sunday, he answered in the negative, whereupon the Committee on Jurisprudence took issue with him and gravely and judicially formulated and expressed the opinion that such Masonic work might be done on the Sabbath day, for 'we believe that by so doing we exercise an influence for good.' Grand Lodge sustained the committee, notwithstanding the law and usage of the craft from time immemorial have prohibited any kind of Masonic labor on Sunday, except in cases of emergency arising from death. In our judgment, Arizona can retrace her steps none too soon, and erase from her trestle board this crooked line of departure from the teachings of the Great Light, that is the corner-stone of the Masonic Institution."

He thinks that there is "nothing charitable, benevolent, religious or especially patriotic about the sugar trust," which is, we take it, about right.

The Brethren may be entertained by the following, under Oregon :

“ The Grand Master devotes much space to a case of a jurisdictional nature, in which a lodge in Georgia was involved, and from all appearances the actual party imposed upon. However that may be, the Oregonian who travelled surreptitiously to the East found an edict staring him in the face on his return home, prohibiting all Masons in obedience to Grand Lodge from recognizing him as a Son of Light. To us there is an amusing side to the case, in that the Grand Master half way apologizes for issuing the edict, by saying he did not act until after he had found ‘ an exactly parallel case with this, in which the Grand Master of Pennsylvania took exactly the same course.’ And then he naively remarks: ‘ Pennsylvania is the oldest Grand Jurisdiction in the United States, and is recognized as the best authority upon Masonic law.’ Well, there are many to dispute the first part of the proposition, and many, many more to disagree with the second part. Pennsylvania makes good law for herself, but when it comes to others, she is far from being ‘ the only pebble on the beach.’ ”

Four pages are given to an intelligent summary of “ the handsome volume ” of Pennsylvania for 1903.

From the decisions in Grand Master TENNIS’S “ admirable ” address, “ a curiosity or two ” our Brother “ culls.”

Mention is made of the fact that Past Grand Master ARNOLD was succeeded in the chairmanship of the Committee on Correspondence by this writer, “ by whom a heartfelt tribute was paid to the memory of the lamented Bro. at one of the special communications of Grand Lodge.” Brother PERKINS apparently had, as last year, time only to glance at that part of our work which referred to Vermont.

Most Worshipful Brother OLIN W. DALEY, of White River Junction, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worship-



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ful Brother HENRY H. ROSS, of Burlington, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### VICTORIA—1903.

THE United Grand Lodge of Antient, Free and Accepted Masons of Victoria (Australia) held a Quarterly Communication at Freemasons' Hall, Melbourne, on March 18, 1903. In the absence, on account of his Parliamentary duties, of the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother the Honorable Sir ALEXANDER J. PEACOCK, M.L.A., the Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Brother Dr. W. BALLS-HEADLEY, was in the East. After the minutes had been confirmed, a welcome was extended to Very Worshipful Brother the Right Reverend Doctor H. LOWTHER CLARKE, Bishop of Melbourne, Past Provincial Grand Chaplain of the West Riding of Yorkshire, England, who, in concluding an interesting address, said "he hoped it would be made known by those present that the Bishop of Melbourne was a Mason, and delighted in being one, and had no intention to hide his Masonry under his episcopal apron."

Number of Lodges, including one new one, 189; initiated, 921; total membership ("financial members"), 8903, a gain of 518. Receipts, including balance, were \$11,230; disbursements, \$7565; balance, \$3665.

Five hundred dollars were voted to the Drought Relief Fund.

At the Grand Anniversary Festival Meeting, on May 20, the Grand Master was installed and the investiture of Grand Lodge officers took place.

At the September Quarterly, a grant of two hundred and fifty dollars was made to the Townsville Relief Fund.

At the June and December Quarterlies, matters of local interest engaged the Brethren.

No report on Correspondence.



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Most Worshipful Brother the Honorable Sir ALEXANDER JAMES PEACOCK, M.L.A., of Melbourne, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother JOHN BRAIM, P.S.G.W., of Melbourne, Grand Secretary, continued.

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### VIRGINIA—1903.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Virginia began its One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Grand Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Richmond, on Tuesday, December 1, A.D. 1903, and closed two days later.

Most Worshipful Brother EDWARD N. EUBANK, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master shows a strong conception of his high office; although, in performing his duties, he labored under a number of drawbacks, death and illness having entered his family, and this to such an extent that he felt unable to accept a second year of service.

One of a number of decisions which did not receive approbation, we are glad to see, was one allowing Brethren from Louisiana, whose Lodges are allowed to work in the Scottish Rite, to visit the Lodges in Virginia, the Committee on the Grand Master's address, which is composed of Past Grand Masters, saying,—

“We are not sufficiently informed by our Grand Master of the condition of affairs in Louisiana, but we deem it our duty to enter our solemn protest against allowing any person to visit our Lodges who was not entered, passed and raised under the Ancient York Rite. As York Rite Masons, we recognize no other ritual, and we believe that any qualification or abatement of this fundamental law of the Grand Lodge would be productive of mischief.”

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The Grand Master declined to approve the publication of the Memorial Volume of the Washington Centennial Observance (in 1899), as he thought the time had passed when it would be considered appropriate.

Number of Lodges, including six new ones, 279; raised, 1015; total membership, 15,001, a gain of 698. Receipts, including balance, were \$25,859.02; disbursements, \$25,777.92; balance, \$81.10. Assets of Grand Lodge, \$19,091.

It was decided to change the time of the Grand Annual Communication from the first Tuesday in December to the second Tuesday in January.

An historical sketch of Lancaster Union Lodge, No. 88, prepared by Brother WILLIAM McD. LEE, was recommended for publication with the Proceedings by the Committee on History, and is duly printed.

We regret to learn of the death of Right Worshipful Brother J. B. SENER, who was, indeed, "an energetic, earnest and zealous Mason."

By the adoption of a special report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, a postal-card is to be sent at once by the Secretary of any Virginia Lodge visited to the home Lodge of the visitor, sending fraternal greetings and informing the visitor's Lodge of such visit. It is expected that in this way impostors may be detected.

The portrait of the new Grand Master forms the frontispiece, we are glad to see.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman, Right Worshipful Brother JOSEPH W. EGGLESTON, who, we are delighted to see, is now a "Grand Officer" of the old Grand Lodge of the Old Dominion, the Brother just ahead of him in station being our friend Right Worshipful Brother S. J. QUINN, who is the Chairman of the Committee on History. We are strongly in favor of preserving the old distinction between Grand Officers and other officers of the Grand Lodge.

It is a pleasure to go over Brother Doctor EGGLESTON's



clearly printed report, which abounds in interesting and informing excerpts and many suitable comments, and while the Brother is rightly tenacious of his opinion, he is courteous enough to admit that he is wrong, if such is shown to be the case.

We agree with him, under Florida, referring to the arrangement of reviews in reports on Correspondence:

“Would it not be more courteous and in every other respect as well, to make the whole list alphabetical and not make outsiders of those who are so unfortunate as not to be in our United States? One or two other reviewers do the same, but we can see no Masonic reason for it.”

In connection with the happy family event, which we recorded in our report last year, we are pleased to learn, under Illinois:

“We are happy to inform him that the boy is named John Blair [Kerns], after our first Grand Master, and has a silver loving cup inscribed to commemorate the event.”

Under Ireland, our Brother asks a question:

“He [Deputy Grand Master MEREDITH] devoted more than a page to the Sesqui-Centennial of Washington’s initiation. He related the remarkable fact that in 1800 *Pennsylvania* notified the Grand Lodge of Ireland of his death. Why was this, when he lived and died a Virginia Mason?”

In reply, we venture to suggest that at that time Philadelphia, the home of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, was the National Capital; and we have shown that Washington was a member, certainly a member-elect, of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. (See Memorial Volume of our Washington Sesqui-centennial Celebration, page 149.)

Under Missouri, Brother EGGLESTON says,—



“ Brother Vincil furnished another of his reports, none of which need praise. They always speak for themselves. He and Robbins, of Illinois, are the only two now living of the once great American five, which included Drummond of Maine, Vaux of Pennsylvania, and Drinkard of Virginia.”

Alas, now Brother ROBBINS alone remains!

For the information of the Brethren we quote, under Oklahoma:

“ He [Brother HUNT] asks:

“ ‘ Where does our learned brother find that, as a fact, the floor of “ King Solomon’s Temple ” was a Mosaic pavement? The inspired historian says that Solomon “ covered the floor of the house with planks of fir ” and overlaid the same with gold. We read nothing about the floor being a Mosaic pavement.’

“ The above is what we in Virginia call an easy one. We now know that the real floor, sixteen feet below the commonly accepted one, is a Mosaic one, and have a piece of it in our Grand Secretary’s office. That King Solomon saw fit to cover it with planks of fir, &c., does not alter the facts of the case, as Bro. Hunt can demonstrate them by the trifling trouble of taking a trip to Jerusalem with a pick on his shoulder.”

Three pages are given to Pennsylvania for 1903. Grand Master TENNIS’s address “ was a finished production, both as a Masonic and business document.”

Referring to our Washington celebration, Brother EGGLESTON says,—

“ To the brethren of Virginia it may seem strange that the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania should have positively declined to participate in our Centennial at Mount Vernon in 1899, and then have held this elaborate meeting of their own. The explanation is that their laws forbid public ceremonies in

open Lodge, while ours do not. The occasion was memorable. Grand Master Kerns and Grand Junior Warden Kemper attended from Virginia."

Commenting upon the Grand Master's remarks on physical perfection, our Brother says,—

"The young Mason who so longs to be the originator of improvements in our perfect institution, never fails to remonstrate against our 'perfect-youth' requirement. The above is a sensible answer to all his arguments. In this world of contention and struggle, one of the hardest and yet most necessary lessons is, conservatism and compromise. Masonry trains the mind in conservative lines, and one of the best of its means of teaching this lesson is, that of compelling us to receive and transmit the wisdom of the ancients without the changes we fain would make."

We quote what our Brother says about our report, for several reasons, one of which is that our Brethren may see what our Brother's position is with regard to perpetual jurisdiction:

"In his [this writer's] conclusion he regrets that he did not have the pleasure of welcoming the reportorial corps at the Sesqui-centennial, to which we were each invited at his suggestion. Here is one who deeply regretted that circumstances prevented his attending. One of the most agreeable features to us would have been the meeting with Bro. Lamberton. We have had some friendly tilts, but at too long range for our Irish shillalah to get in its work. We did acknowledge the invitation, and lament not being present.

"Bro. Lamberton gives Virginia, 1901, a very good review of four and a half pages. He attempts to prove that our idea that the committee of reference was modern and borrowed was a mistake. He quotes from the minute book of his own Lodge in 1779 to sustain his case. We had no idea he was



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so old, and yield the point in deference to his hoary locks, if he has any remaining. We had thought the idea a borrowed one from some modern society, and do not think it a good one.

“He thinks our argument against perpetual jurisdiction over rejected applicants illogical. It would be, did we mean to oppose its validity while said rejected applicants remained in Pennsylvania. When he leaves there he is to the craft there as a dead man. Their jurisdiction has ceased and determined. We do not want them here, but we do not think Pennsylvania Masons have a right to forbid our dealing with their cases after they have become Virginians. We do not claim jurisdiction over them personally, but over the territory in which they reside.”

In our view, as we have repeatedly said, it is not a question of perpetual *jurisdiction*, but of perpetual *objection*: the fact of the existence of an objection having been established, that objection can be removed in but one way,—by ballot in the Lodge where the existence of that objection was established.

We cannot plead guilty to having been at our Lodge when it was constituted in 1779, and we cherish such locks as we have, even if they are not “hoary.”

Most Worshipful Brother THOMAS N. DAVIS, of Lynchburg, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother GEORGE W. CARRINGTON, of Richmond, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## WASHINGTON—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Washington began its Forty Seventh Annual Communication in the City of Seattle, on Tuesday, June 14, A.D. 1904, and closed two days later.



## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Most Worshipful Brother CHARLES D. ATKINS, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a straightforward document. He commends Brother ROBERT FREKE GOULD'S "A Concise History of Freemasonry," and Past Grand Master UPTON, in his report on Correspondence, regards the publication of that very valuable book as "the incident most important to Masonry which occurred in the year 1904," and we are inclined to agree.

The Grand Master pays a most just tribute to Grand Secretary REED, and it was not until Brother REED had been consulted that a resolution making that distinguished Brother Grand Secretary *emeritus* at a salary of twelve hundred dollars, was not adopted, and the Brother continues to adorn his station.

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 129; initiated, 852; total membership, 7961, a gain of 905. Receipts, including balance, were \$20,987.23; disbursements, \$8261.98; balance, \$12,725.25. The Masonic Home Fund amounts to \$10,870.23, and Grand Lodge assets to \$29,069.58.

The recognition of Brazil and Costa Rica was deferred.

Fraternal greetings were exchanged with Wisconsin and Oregon by wire.

The Library of the Grand Lodge is to be removed from Olympia to Tacoma. The oration, by the Grand Orator, Brother ARTHUR J. CRAVEN, was of a high order.

The report on Correspondence is by the Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM H. UPTON, whose introduction is taken up with a description of Brother GOULD'S "Concise History," referred to above.

Brother UPTON has prepared a very able, interesting, and complete report. We cannot agree with him in some of his positions. Our Brother is very positive, and there is virtue in that. He tells us that "it is absolutely certain that the office of Grand Master was created by a Grand Lodge, in

1717, and did not exist before," which is interesting, if true. He is devoted to the history of his Grand Lodge, telling us that "All the time he is not reading his Bible, he is meditating upon the glorious history of the Grand Lodge of Washington;" and yet the question has been asked, "Is life worth living?"

The following, under New Hampshire, has force:

"By the account given of these and some other special communications we are reminded of the extreme recognition which the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire extends—we are very sorry to say—to the so-called high degree bodies. On one occasion, for example, the Grand Lodge was opened to attend a funeral conducted by the Knights Templar—assisted by the Grand Master of Odd Fellows and others. Such practices, it seems to us, show little appreciation of the dignity of our unique Institution."

Our Brother is very strenuous, and rightly, on the matter of "cipher rituals."

We quote with pleasure, under Wisconsin:

"Speaking of the 'high rite' bodies and 'concordant Orders,' he [Brother JENKS] again speaks of Bro. ROBBINS and, like the latter, preaches the true doctrine:

" 'He also quotes from GOULD's History of Freemasonry, volume three, page 348, where it is said of these Supreme Councils: "They are not, and never can be, Freemasonry. They are simply separate societies, all of whose members happen to be Freemasons."

" 'Merely calling a thing Masonry does not make it such, even when done by a Grand Lodge, and there is a manifest impropriety in recognizing as a part of Masonry that which everybody knows, who knows anything about Masonic History, is merely a recent invention and has nothing Masonic about it except that it will permit no one but Masons to join



the Order. In all these bodies their rites and ceremonies are foreign and unknown to the system which Masonry practices. Its affairs are administered and supervised by bodies over which a Grand Lodge has no control, and whose Ritual and teachings are unknown to the Great Body of Masons. For these reasons, it has always seemed inadvisable to us for a Grand Lodge to recognize as Masonic anything outside of symbolic Masonry. That these organizations are good in themselves, that their teachings are excellent, elevating and ennobling we readily admit, but this does not make them, in any sense, Masonic.' ”

More than five pages are given to Pennsylvania for 1903, the review beginning:

“ Since writing our last report we have received a well bound and splendidly printed volume of nearly 400 pages containing the proceedings at the celebration, at Philadelphia, November 5, 1902, of the sesqui-centennial anniversary of the initiation of GEORGE WASHINGTON into Freemasonry. Of course it is out of the question to review such a volume within our limited space. Much of the proceedings, including the able address made by President ROOSEVELT, appeared in the secular press soon after the event. For literary merit and historical accuracy the addresses of all the numerous speakers were not of equal rank; but, read with discrimination, the volume must always remain one of much interest and value. Among the letters of regret printed, it is certain none surpasses that of our Grand Master ARTHUR.”

Referring to our late Past Grand Masters PERKINS and ARNOLD, Brother UPTON says,—

“ Both were distinguished citizens as well as leading Masons, and the volume contains many loving tributes to their memories. Through his reports we had been led to



fully recognize the ability and high character of Bro. ARNOLD."

A number of Grand Master TENNIS's decisions are commented upon, some with approval. With regard to the one requiring Past Masters to wear silver jewels, our Brother says,—

"With another of his edicts we have more sympathy, though we think it would be difficult to enforce the correct usage in the present generation."

In Grand Master TENNIS's remarks about the decoration of our Corinthian Room, Brother UPTON thinks that Brother TENNIS hit a part of it "a sly dig."

Brother UPTON, having retired for a time from the Reportorial Board, did not keep up with our work, and thinks that our fourth report was our second, although we had assisted in the preparation of a number of reports before we were requested to prepare the whole report.

Our Brethren will be interested and perhaps somewhat amused with part of our Brother's comments upon our report ("a paper of high literary and Masonic merit"), but we think that they cannot quite accept all our Brother's statements. This writer

"is a Yale man, a lawyer, a reader of *Quatuor Coronati* publications and—his work, especially in the sesqui-centennial volume, shows—a Masonic scholar, although he expressly disclaims the latter title. He has taken up the old controversy with which Pennsylvania and Massachusetts brethren amuse themselves when times are dull, as to which state got its Masonry first. If we were a Pennsylvanian, the controversy would lose much of its interest to us because of the fact that there is a link missing in the Pennsylvania chain. It is too much like trying to trace for one's self a splendid ancestry through one's step-mother. In trying to show that there were one or more Lodges in Pennsylvania, in FRANKLIN's time,

before HENRY PRICE established one in Boston, Pennsylvania Masons ignore the fact that there is no earthly connection between themselves and the Lodges of FRANKLIN's day. The latter were "Modern" Lodges—adherents of the faction that could trace to the Grand Lodge founded in 1717. Every 'Modern'—or, as the Old Regulations call them, 'regular'—Lodge died out before the present Grand Lodge was organized. The latter sprang from the 'non-regular,' 'schismatic' or 'Antient'—*not* 'York'—Masonry which was introduced into Pennsylvania much later. Barring the 'Pinney' and 'Regional' brand—of which we know too little to speak positively,—the only Masonry in Pennsylvania which can trace its pedigree to the Grand Lodge of 1717 is that which was licensed by PRINCE HALL in 1797. In saying that, we do not wish to be misunderstood as intimating that 'Modern' Masonry was any better than 'Ancient' Masonry, but it was a different and a hostile institution; and it was 'Modern' Masonry that HENRY PRICE introduced into Massachusetts and BENJAMIN FRANKLIN and PRINCE HALL cherished in Pennsylvania."

Brother UPTON comments upon several parts of our work. With regard to our opinion that, while personally we might be inclined to favor the conferring of the second and third degrees "by courtesy," we thought that the conferring of the first in that manner was wrong in principle; "for, up until the very time a petitioner has received the first degree, it is the right of any member to object, such objection acting as a black ball, and the Lodge has no power to abrogate that right;" our Brother says,—

"We are unable to concur, as to the first degree; for the objection can be made just as well—though perhaps not as conveniently—in the one Lodge as in the other."

The reason given by Brother UPTON lacks force, because the objection *cannot* be made *as well* in the one Lodge as



the other; he himself adding to "as well" "though perhaps not as conveniently."

Brother UPTON pleads guilty "just once," and it is to the misquotation of a line from Horace. It was because we knew that he had studied under a tutor (and why, in a Masonic paper, should it be thought improper or discourteous to refer to "the Goat"?) who was so fond of quoting the line, that we thought it not amiss to challenge our Brother's memory. Our Brother was in doubt as to our being "'neath the elms of dear old Yale" at the time the said tutor and Brother UPTON were, and sought to solve the doubt by an examination of our portrait, but in vain; one of his reasons being—

"for, while we can accept the rebuke of our elders with that meekness and patience which, in the last half dozen years, have called forth from the guild so many expressions of wonder and amazement, we cannot take *everything* from a 'kid.' So, Bro. LAMBERTON, if you can show more grey hairs than we, say what you will; but—not now speaking any too seriously—if you are junior to the famous class of '77, beware!"

Our Brother's reference to the "famous [?] class of '77" amuses us. If he had referred to Brother HEDGES's class, "the famous class of '53," or to that of this writer, "the famous class of '78," he would have been understood. But we may remind our Brother that '78 never did "beware" of '77, from the afternoon of September 19, 1875, at Hamilton Park, when, during "the manly trial of strength," after a short (but long to those in the (c)rush) pause, the men of '77 gave way before the mighty men of '78.

Most Worshipful Brother EDWIN H. VAN PATTEN, of Dayton, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother THOMAS MILBURNE REED, of Olympia, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



## WEST VIRGINIA—1903.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of West Virginia began its Thirty-ninth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Wheeling, on Wednesday, November 11, A.D. 1903, and closed the following day.

Most Worshipful Brother ELI M. TURNER, Grand Master.

That the address of the Grand Master was able, both Brother Grand Secretary ATKINSON and the Committee on Proceedings of Grand Officers agree. We think it an excellent paper, and like his words on the ballot. We do not agree with his views as to admitting candidates who are physically disqualified; we believe that ours is a select society, and that all the world and his neighbor are not *entitled* to be allowed to join it, even if they have moral and intellectual qualifications.

Number of Lodges, including two under dispensation, 124; initiated, 859; total membership, 8712, a gain of 690. Receipts, including balance, were \$10,057.21; disbursements, \$6123.27; balance, \$6334.03, of which \$2400.09 belongs to the Masonic Home Fund.

The Committee to procure jewels for the three oldest Past Grand Masters (Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary ATKINSON being added) include in their report the interesting presentation speeches made at the various times the jewels were presented.

Grand Secretary ATKINSON explains that "for some almost unexplainable reason no notice was made in the minutes last year" of the presentation to Grand Master MYERS of a beautiful and expensive Past Grand Master's jewel, which a few of the friends and ardent admirers of that Brother had procured for him, and which was presented in open Grand Lodge.

It strikes us that this gives quite a jar to the elaborate certificate, which Brother ATKINSON places on the back of

the title-page of his Proceedings, as to the "true and faithful transcript of the proceedings."

The proceedings of numerous special Communications are given, with the usual delightful lack of uniformity as to opening.

At one of these Specials, when the Grand Secretary was present and the Grand Lodge was opened in *ample* form by a District Deputy Grand Master, the District Deputy, in an address in connection with the laying of the corner-stone of a school building says,—

"In ancient times these Masons were not only skillful engineers, but in their guilds was embodied practically all the scientific knowledge of their times. When Stephen declared that Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, the allusion was to the undoubted fact that he had been initiated into the mysteries and philosophy of Egyptian Free Masonry."

We hope and pray that our Brother will produce his proof of this "undoubted fact," for here is one Brother that doubts it.

We are pleased to have as the frontispiece the portrait of the new Grand Master.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. ATKINSON, Grand Secretary. It is full and complete, many valuable and interesting extracts being given, some of which Brother ATKINSON discusses in a breezy (and again we do not say windy) manner.

We are glad to have him so strenuous against cipher rituals.

Under Nevada, our Brother has some excellent words about Past Grand Masters "stepping down and out," after they have received the highest honors that Grand Lodge can confer upon them. We certainly do not agree to Brother



ATKINSON's presumption that his compensation, which is "not large," is "about as much as his services are worth to the craft."

We are pleased with the following, under Arizona:

"The laws of our West Virginia Grand Lodge do not permit the incorporation of any Masonic body. To allow it to be done, takes from a Lodge, in a measure, the dignity of the institution, and that cohesive power of brotherly love and affection which has been the glory of Freemasonry for centuries, and which has held the Fraternity together in spite of all the attacks that have been thundered against it. A Masonic Lodge ought to be able to take care of its affairs without calling in the help of the State."

Under Washington, we agree with our Brother as to a decision about not receiving a petition until the petitioner is twenty-one:

"Somehow I cannot understand the force of the first decision above quoted. It is true that the Landmarks of Masonry do not allow a young man in non-age to become a member of the Fraternity. But if one is full twenty-one the night he is to be received, he certainly, it seems to me, should be regarded as eligible. I myself was so anxious to become a Mason that I sent in my petition nearly a full month before I had reached my majority, but I was 21 when I was received, and two days over. As I understand the general law on this subject, all that is required is for the candidate to be 21 years of age when he knocks at the west gate of the temple for admission therein."

The following, under Wyoming, may be of a little interest:

"One thing Brother Kuykendall's mind is clearly made up on, and that is he is everlastingly 'forninst' the 'perfect



youth' doctrine adhered to stringently by Pennsylvania and a number of the other older Grand Lodges of the country. He thinks, (and I agree with him) that the loss of a toe or a finger or two, or a thumb, for that matter, on the left hand, ought not to keep a man out of the Fraternity. He and Brother Lamberton, of Pennsylvania, are having quite a debate over this matter, and I tell you 'it's mighty interestin' readin'' for a whole lot of us. Both of them quote law—one on the one side and the other on the other. I believe they are both lawyers, and a lawyer who cannot find a decision of some court or another to suit his case, had better haul in his shingle."

Pennsylvania for 1902 (not 1903, as the printer makes Brother ATKINSON's heading read) is fully reviewed, beginning as follows:

"A steel portrait of the father of his country—Brother George Washington—adds both beauty and value to this elegantly printed volume."

Referring to the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund, Brother ATKINSON says,—

"The Trustees reported that the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Fund amounts to \$57,375.52. This is the largest individual charity which this M. W. Grand Lodge has to administer. Brother Patton is still living, and he was the recipient of several complimentary speeches from the brethren for his munificent gift to the Fraternity; and better than all, he was personally present to enjoy what was said of him."

Brother ATKINSON omits entirely the mention of the gift of \$42,624.48 by Brother Grand Treasurer PATTON to make the principal of this Fund \$100,000, which was what at this time called out the "several complimentary speeches."

Referring to our Washington celebration ("The proceedings of this great celebration were printed in a large volume, and copies were sent to all of the Grand Lodges of the country"), our Brother says,—

"This and the Mount Vernon celebration two or three years ago were the two most noted Masonic gatherings that were ever held on the American continent."

The opening paragraph, "pregnant with historical facts of great value," is copied from the "elaborate, able and exhaustive address" of Grand Master TENNIS:

Brother ATKINSON says further of the address,—

"He denounces excessive drinking and the use of profane language by Freemasons, and states that it makes no difference what our struggles have been through ignorance and superstition in the past, if danger is to come to us now, it must be from within, and not from without. Masons themselves hold in their own hands the destiny of our institution. If each brother does his duty by living up to the requirements of the Order, the ship of Freemasonry will sail on successfully forever. He is right—forever right."

Our report is kindly said to be "pleasantly written, well arranged, elegantly printed and forceful withal."

The following is somewhat of a surprise to us:

"He also thinks that there is some good in the Grand Lodge Representative system. Pray in what respect, my esteemed brother? I never knew of one of them ever being called upon to do an important act. If any conflict arises between Grand Lodges, the Grand Master, and not the Grand Representative, has to settle it."

Will our Brother kindly produce his proof?

We have long been of our Brother's opinion, under Ari-



zona, that these Representatives were “ ‘ fifth wheels ’ to Masonry.”

However, if our Grand Lodge thought proper to continue the system, we think that, if we were Grand Secretary, we should try, whatever our opinion might be, to give a correct list of those Representatives, and not print in such lists the name of a Brother who had been dead for years, or the name of a Brother whose commission had been withdrawn, especially after we had been notified of the facts (and West Virginia is not the only place where these things have been done).

Most Worshipful Brother GEORGE HATCH, of Wheeling, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother GEORGE W. ATKINSON, of Charleston, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## WESTERN AUSTRALIA—1904.

THE Grand Lodge of Western Australia of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, held a Quarterly Communication at the Freemasons' Hall, Perth, on Friday, July 24, A.D. 1903.

Most Worshipful Brother the Honorable JOHN W. HACKETT, LL.D., Grand Master.

In his address the Grand Master says,—

*“ Washington Sesqui-Centennial.”*

“ A Masonic ceremony of a unique character was held in America last November. It was the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the initiation into the fraternity of Freemasons of Bro. George Washington, first President of the United States of America. The celebration took place under the auspices of Bro. George Washington's Mother Grand Lodge, the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. It is interesting to mention that this was the first American Lodge to accord recognition to the infant Grand Lodge of Western Australia. I was unable to attend myself, but forwarded a letter of



apology and of fraternal greeting on behalf of this Grand Lodge to the Grand Master of Pennsylvania, Bro. the R. W. Hon. Edgar A. Tennis. The proceedings are embodied in a handsome volume, of which a copy has been presented to the library of our Grand Lodge, and will form a record of intense interest in Masonic history. Among the illustrious brethren who attended and made addresses on the occasion was Bro. Theodore Roosevelt, the present President of the United States."

In his address at the October Quarterly, held at Kalgoorrie, he gives a very interesting history of the formation of the Grand Lodge. The Grand Lodge of Scotland is still adverse to recognizing the Grand Lodge of Western Australia, but it looks as though the Scotch Brethren in Western Australia will settle that question, for most practical purposes, by withdrawing from the Scotch District Grand Lodge.

At the January Quarterly, the Grand Master declined a fourth nomination, and at the proper time nominated as his successor the Pro Grand Master, the Right Reverend Brother C. O. L. RILEY, D.D., Lord Bishop of Perth, the nomination being seconded, and "carried unanimously and with acclamation."

We are very glad to have the portraits of both the outgoing Grand Master, to whom so much is due for his faithful work in the early days of the Grand Lodge, and of the incoming Grand Master.

At the April Quarterly, at Perth, Costa Rica was recognized and Porto Rico was deferred.

The Grand Secretary's report impresses us very favorably.

After the installation of the Grand Master, the Masters of forty Lodges presented, through the Grand Master, to the retiring Grand Master a beautiful Past Grand Master's jewel and a portrait of himself, which that Brother accepted in fitting terms, and then presented the portrait to Grand Lodge.

The Grand Anniversary Festival took place in the Town

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Hall at the close of the proceedings, and covers were laid for about three hundred and fifty, which were not sufficient for all the Brethren who desired to participate.

In replying to the toast of his health, the Grand Master began:

“I feel almost like the American who, when called upon for a speech which he had prepared and forgotten, said, ‘Wall, I have some intellect, but it ain’t around just at this moment,’ and the way in which you have honored the toast makes it almost impossible for me to say what I should like to.”

The Festival was a great success, and characterized by great enthusiasm.

Number of Lodges, 69; initiated, 411; total membership, 3348, a gain of 368. Receipts, including balance, were \$12,035; disbursements, \$6740; balance, \$5295.

The Grand Secretary explained that his correspondence had been so extensive with the Grand Lodges of the World, that he had not had time to prepare, as he had hoped, a report on Correspondence.

Most Worshipful Brother The Right Reverend C. O. L. RILEY, D.D., Lord Bishop of Perth, Grand Master; Very Worshipful Brother J. D. STEVENSON, of Perth, Grand Secretary, reappointed.

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THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Wisconsin began its Sixtieth Annual Communication in the Masonic Building, in the City of Milwaukee, on Tuesday, June 14, A.D. 1904, and closed two days later.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN CORSCAT, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a dignified and sen-



sible paper. He records the death of Past Grand Master BOUCK and of Past Grand Secretary HOSKINSON, whose presence last year in Grand Lodge was a pleasure to all. Portraits of these Brethren are given, suitable memorials were adopted, and a portrait of the latter Brother was presented to Grand Lodge on behalf of his widow and family. The Grand Master speaks sensibly against Masonic fairs, and, as a result, an edict against them was passed by Grand Lodge. His recommendation that the compensation of the writer of the report on Foreign Correspondence be increased to six hundred dollars, "payment for this service to be made in the months of December and June of the Masonic year for which the report is made," was favorably received, and adopted after preambles and resolutions very complimentary to Past Grand Master JENKS had been introduced, duly referred, and reported upon.

Number of Lodges, 253; initiated, 1487; total membership, 20,571, a gain of 858. Receipts, including balance, were \$27,784.53; disbursements, \$10,675.55; balance, \$17,108.98.

Brother CHARLES A. BISHOP, Chief Justice of Iowa, who was the boyhood friend of Grand Secretary PERRY, being present, was presented to Grand Lodge, and made an interesting and eloquent address.

During the proceedings we note:

"At this time, a practical demonstration of Masonic Charity was brought about on motion of the Grand Chaplain, the hat was passed, and ninety-four dollars, composed of contributions not to exceed twenty-five cents each for the help of a needy brother, is recorded."

The decisions of the Grand Master did not meet with entire favor, and we find ourself rather in favor of the views of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

A Past Grand Master's jewel was presented to the Junior



Past Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother MILLER, by Past Grand Master JENKS, who, without preparation, very agreeably discharged the pleasant duty of making the presentation speech in the absence of the Brother who was to have performed that duty, and Brother JENKS, in moving that a similar jewel be prepared for the retiring Grand Master, very sensibly, as it seems to us, provided that it should be presented to that Brother at his home "as soon as conveniently may be after the close of the Communication."

We think we can suggest something better: have the jewel all ready to present to the Brother, just as soon as he vacates the chair of King Solomon.

"Echoes of the Session," from the pen of Grand Secretary PERRY, we take it, give some very pleasant notes of what must have been an unusually pleasant session.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother ALDRO JENKS, whose fine work was so fittingly recognized by his Grand Lodge, and well might it be said,—

"Because of the eminent abilities he has brought to the discharge of this important trust, the jurisdiction of Wisconsin now occupies one of the most enviable positions among the sister jurisdictions of this and foreign countries."

This report is, like the six which precede it, able, scholarly, and interesting.

Our Brother disapproves, as do we, of laying corner-stones on Sunday with Masonic ceremonies, and of conferring honorary rank. With regard to the quotation so often made from the Ancient Charges, which says that the candidate must be one "having no maim or defect in his body that will render him incapable of learning the art," he says,—

"This quotation is taken from the *first* edition of Anderson's Constitutions. We have heretofore on several occasions,

pointed out the fact that this qualifying clause is not found in any of the Ancient Manuscript copies of the old Charges, over sixty of which are still extant. It appears to have been an innovation introduced by Anderson in his first edition of the Constitutions, and was eliminated by him in the second edition."

Our Brother repeatedly refers to his views, with which we are in sympathy, that it is better to find homes for children, rather than put them in Masonic Homes. We think, however, that there are cases where the Home is a very good refuge.

We are not prepared to go with him in advocating the burial of Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts with Masonic ceremonies, even "at the discretion of the Master," but do agree with him in not recommending the practice of having a Grand Orator every year to deliver an oration:

"Many beautiful things are contained in these orations, but they are usually accompanied by a vast amount of misinformation."

Under Nova Scotia, referring to reports on Correspondence, we quote:

"The amount of labor involved in the preparation of such a report, to say nothing of the task of composition, is seldom realized except by those who have performed the work. From fifteen to eighteen thousand pages of printed matter must be examined carefully each year by its correspondent, in addition to such investigations as he may be required to make in matters of Masonic history and Masonic jurisprudence. It will thus be seen that the compensation provided is altogether inadequate, and that the labor must very largely be one of love. We do not believe there is a correspondence writer connected with any Grand Lodge that is receiving



adequate compensation for the time and labor expended in this work."

In his conclusion, after quoting from Brother GOULD's "History of Freemasonry," vol. iii. pp. 346-348, in part as follows:

"It cannot be too strongly insisted upon that all so-called *Scottish Masonry has nothing whatever to do with the Grand Lodge of Scotland*, nor, with one possible exception—that of the Royal Order of Scotland—did it ever originate in that country. If we add to this rite that of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of 33 degrees, we may even maintain that *none of the Scots degrees were at any time practiced in Scotland*,"

Brother JENKS continues:

"We cannot quote further from this work, but the evidence is perfectly clear that in 1803 twenty-two of these spurious Masonic degrees were gathered together by two members of a Lodge at Charleston, South Carolina, viz.: John Mitchell and Frederick Dalcho. Eight new degrees were invented by them, a spurious constitution was fabricated, and the whole thing was given the high-sounding title, 'The Supreme Council of Sovereign Grand Inspectors Generals of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.'

"The question is as to whether bodies so constituted are competent to create regular symbolic Lodges. We are decidedly of the opinion that they are not. Why pause with thirty-three degrees? Surely a 68° Mason must be considered higher than one who can only boast of a paltry 33°. If degrees can be invented and become Masonic, why need there be any limit to the amount of Masonic distinction a man may possess? Why not procure the whole sixty-eight enumerated in the Handbuch, add those given by Thory and



Olliver, and then apply to Bro. Gould to extend the list, as he says would be possible for him?

“Can regular Grand Lodges afford to tamper in any way with an Institution which teaches that the humblest member of its Order is entitled to precedence over a Grand Master of Masons himself; or that such a Mason can at any time or place, without inquiry, ballot, investigation, or ceremony, impart the secrets of the E. A., F. C. and M. M. degrees to whomsoever he pleases, and that such a person thereby becomes a regular member of the Ancient Fraternity? Many Grand Lodges deny to their Grand Master the prerogative of making Masons at sight. How is it possible that these two South Carolina brethren possessed the power of doing so, and could confer upon those to whom they sold its favors, the power to do likewise, and so *ad infinitum*.”

“Yet it is to this usurpation of power that the various Grand Councils of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite scattered throughout the world trace their origin.”

Pennsylvania for 1903 receives three pages of review. Grand Master TENNIS “delivered a thoroughly good and business-like address. Much in the way of beautiful thought and timely advice is found in it.” Excerpts are made from the address and from the decisions. Brother JENKS says, “It requires quite a stretch of imagination to picture King Solomon togged out with a low-cut vest, claw hammer coat, and a modern silk hat.”

Our report is very kindly referred to, its worth being too generously estimated, we fear. Our Brother has no middle name, and we are going to suggest that “M” would look better than the letter our Brother gives to us for a middle initial.

Most Worshipful Brother DAVID H. WRIGHT, of Madison, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM W. PERRY, of Milwaukee, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

## WYOMING—1904.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Wyoming held its Thirtieth Annual Communication in the City of Evanston, on Wednesday, August 17, A.D. 1904.

Most Worshipful Brother T. S. TALLIOFERRO, JR., Grand Master.

Right Worshipful Brother CHRISTOPHER DIEHL, the able and honored Grand Secretary of Utah, was a very welcome guest.

The annual address of the Grand Master is excellent, being conceived in a truly fraternal spirit. We are surprised to learn that after nearly thirty years of existence, this Jurisdiction has no authorized form of petition for initiation or affiliation. A resolution for the appointment of a committee of three to prepare and report at the present session of Grand Lodge was referred to the Committee on Returns and Work, which recommended that the Grand Secretary be authorized to prepare the same, so the matter is in good hands.

We also note that this Jurisdiction is wealthy in Committees on Jurisprudence,—namely, a “Committee on Jurisprudence,” and a “Standing Committee on Jurisprudence,” Past Grand Master TOWNSEND being the connecting link, though the latter Committee is the only one we find authorized by the By-Laws.

Number of Lodges, including two under dispensation, 23; initiated, 189; total membership, 1649, a gain of 161. Receipts, including balance, were \$6336.50; disbursements, \$2222.62; balance, \$4113.88.

Nothing for the Committee on Appeals and Grievances to do!

A resolution was passed authorizing the Grand Master to “appoint a day to be observed by the Subordinate Lodges as a Memorial Day, and permitting all brethren to attend a



memorial service wearing regalia.” Better strike out the last two words.

The report on Correspondence is by the Committee, Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM L. KUYKENDALL, Grand Secretary (his nineteenth, we believe), who includes in his Conclusion an interesting paper by Past Grand Master SPEED, of Mississippi, entitled “A Critical Examination of the Report of the Committee of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey on Landmarks.”

Brother KUYKENDALL’s report is in his well-known style, being almost entirely written. Dispensations and prerogatives trouble our Brother. We agree with him in thinking that it is not necessary that a Lodge-room must be formally dedicated to Masonry, and he adds: “Reason dictates that no room or building should be so dedicated unless it is owned in fee simple by the Lodge and is free from incumbrances.” We are with him in disbelieving in honorary titles.

We regret to find him approving of printed cipher rituals.

It will be seen from the following, under New York, that our Brother holds views of his own:

“Personally, we are opposed to any Lodge being permitted to waive jurisdiction over any of its material in favor of a Lodge in another State, or that a waiver should be granted by any power. Our position is well known as being against a non-affiliate being admitted outside of the jurisdiction in which he resides, and we see no reason why Lodge material should be waived into another State. Some jurisdictions do not allow such waived material to be received in any Lodge; hence the necessity of some action either by the Grand Master or Grand Lodge before a Lodge should be allowed to act.”

We were not aware before that no one becomes a member of a Lodge in Wyoming until he has received the Master Mason’s degree.



The frontispiece is properly the portrait of the new Grand Master.

To Pennsylvania for 1903 nearly two pages of review are given, beginning thus:

“About the first thing appearing is the name of our old and highly esteemed friend and brother, M. Richards Mucklé, as chairman of Committee on Printing and Publishing, whose qualifications in that line are first-class.”

Brother KUYKENDALL is undoubtedly right in that opinion.

Grand Master TENNIS “tries to be conservative regarding the claimed prerogative of a Grand Master to make Masons at sight.” Brother KUYKENDALL says,—

“It is very hard for the brethren of a few jurisdictions to separate themselves and Speculative from Operative Masonry. In our opinion, they were absolutely divorced when the first Grand Lodge of the former was organized, in 1717.”

He also agrees with our Grand Master in not approving of Lodges “holding Sunday sessions.”

Our Brother is kind enough to call ours “another excellent report.” He notes some of our review of his Jurisdiction, but does not notice our correction of his statement about Lodge Representatives.

After having our Brother say that our “argument on physical perfection is clearly a half-hearted effort,” it is clearly necessary that our Brother should have his eyes examined, for his glasses clearly need to be changed.

If our Brother does not understand what is meant by “picked men,” it would seem that it must be because he does not want to understand.

Most Worshipful Brother FRANK A. LUCKFIELD, of Rawlins, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM L. KUYKENDALL, of Saratoga, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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CONCLUSION.

WE add to this report the very valuable and interesting tables of statistics prepared by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother JESSE B. ANTHONY, Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of New York, to whom we desire to express our thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES M. LAMBERTON,

*Chairman.*

December 27, A.D. 1904, A.L. 5904.

STATISTICS.

TABLES FROM THE NEW YORK REPORT ON  
CORRESPONDENCE, MAY, 1904.

Statistical Comparison.

	1901	1902	1903	1904
Grand Lodges . . . . .	57	57	57	57
Subordinate Lodges . . . . .	12,391	12,516	12,704	12,837
Raised . . . . .	51,496	57,798	62,799	74,477
Affiliated . . . . .	16,316	16,457	17,452	21,527
Restored . . . . .	7,218	7,218	6,933	7,801
Died . . . . .	13,557	14,400	14,082	15,282
Dimitted . . . . .	17,789	19,668	19,284	20,433
Suspended for non-payment of dues . . . . .	15,591	14,293	13,387	13,104
Suspended and expelled . . . . .	689	542	523	602
Membership . . . . .	873,075	901,968	944,188	989,176

Based upon the tables we find, in the Grand Lodges of the United States, the following percentages :

	1901	1902	1903	1904
Accessions by new work . . . . .	6.06	6.62	6.94	7.83
Additions by affiliation and restoration . . . . .	2.82	2.73	2.70	3.11
Losses by death . . . . .	1.62	1.67	1.58	1.64
Losses for non-payment of dues . . . . .	1.83	1.62	1.47	1.35
Losses by dimission . . . . .	2.08	2.24	2.11	2.15
Net gain of the year . . . . .	3.17	3.68	4.36	5.26

In numerical standing the most prominent rank in the following order :		The average of membership to each Lodge is greatest in the following :	
New York . . . . .	118,185	District of Columbia . . . . .	224
Illinois . . . . .	66,621	Massachusetts . . . . .	186
Pennsylvania . . . . .	59,826	Connecticut . . . . .	168
Ohio . . . . .	55,065	Rhode Island . . . . .	159
Michigan . . . . .	47,638	New York . . . . .	156
Massachusetts . . . . .	43,415	Pennsylvania . . . . .	136
Missouri . . . . .	37,684	Michigan . . . . .	122
Indiana . . . . .	37,318	New Hampshire . . . . .	121
Iowa . . . . .	33,181	Maine . . . . .	120
Texas . . . . .	32,384	Delaware . . . . .	119
California . . . . .	27,078	New Jersey . . . . .	118
Maine . . . . .	23,940	Ohio . . . . .	110
Kansas . . . . .	23,567	Utah . . . . .	108
Kentucky . . . . .	23,547	Vermont . . . . .	106
Georgia . . . . .	22,841		



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The Jurisdictions having Lodges of the largest membership are in the following order :

GRAND LODGE.	SUBORDINATE LODGE.		Location.	Member-ship.
	Name.	No.		
New York . . . . .	Yonnondio . . . . .	163	Rochester . . . . .	1068
Minnesota . . . . .	Minneapolis . . . . .	19	Minneapolis . . . . .	913
Illinois . . . . .	Garden City . . . . .	141	Chicago . . . . .	853
Connecticut . . . . .	Hiram . . . . .	1	New Haven . . . . .	774
Kentucky . . . . .	Preston . . . . .	281	Louisville . . . . .	757
District of Columbia . . . . .	La Fayette . . . . .	19	Washington, D. C. . . . .	705
Michigan . . . . .	Zion . . . . .	1	Detroit . . . . .	700
California . . . . .	Mission . . . . .	169	San Francisco . . . . .	693
Ohio . . . . .	Magnolia . . . . .	20	Columbus . . . . .	664
Massachusetts . . . . .	Roswell Lee . . . . .	5	Springfield . . . . .	624
Colorado . . . . .	Denver . . . . .	299	Denver . . . . .	592
Missouri . . . . .	Temple . . . . .	59	Kansas City . . . . .	564
Pennsylvania . . . . .	Washington . . . . .	21	Philadelphia . . . . .	559
Rhode Island . . . . .	What Cheer . . . . .		Providence . . . . .	554

# STATISTICS.

## Statistics.

GRAND LODGE.	No. Subor- dinates.	Member- ship.	Raised.	Affiliated.	Restored.	Died.	Dimitted.	Suspended N. P. of Dues.	Suspended and Expelled.	Net Gain.	Net Loss.
Alabama . . . . .	412	14,340	1,190	636	332	266	681	375	36	800	.
Arizona . . . . .	17	1,023	109	43	4	16	27	29	.	84	.
Arkansas . . . . .	462	12,416	881	405	298	423	550	474	25	112	.
California . . . . .	284	27,078	2,613	627	133	474	435	208	5	2,343	.
Colorado . . . . .	117	10,001	667	300	54	141	196	114	1	569	.
Connecticut . . . . .	110	18,514	908	26	55	332	87	155	2	784	.
Delaware . . . . .	21	2,504	125	5	.	18	3	31	.	78	.
Dis. of Columbia	30	6,711	549	97	54	102	62	82	.	454	.
Florida . . . . .	144	4,905	380	236	94	87	224	102	5	282	.
Georgia . . . . .	461	22,841	1,696	.	.	.	.	.	.	1,703	.
Idaho . . . . .	34	1,698	145	90	14	30	58	24	.	137	.
Illinois . . . . .	729	66,621	5,297	1,021	407	1,002	1,398	777	10	3,549	.
Indiana . . . . .	514	37,318	3,010	807	255	550	828	341	38	2,211	.
Indian Territory	125	4,994	455	401	43	65	364	141	7	317	.
Iowa . . . . .	503	33,181	2,293	715	319	427	1,069	443	14	1,372	.
Kansas . . . . .	364	23,567	1,764	650	220	361	863	318	6	1,179	.
Kentucky . . . . .	479	23,547	2,345	603	522	341	881	636	23	1,728	.
Louisiana . . . . .	151	7,254	868	148	58	148	201	87	1	637	.
Maine . . . . .	199	23,940	1,224	127	89	419	165	167	16	716	.
Maryland . . . . .	106	9,122	665	76	39	137	87	87	5	464	.
Massachusetts . . . . .	235	43,415	2,339	2,633	85	643	404	363	20	123	.
Michigan . . . . .	391	47,638	3,049	915	150	747	768	249	7	2,343	.
Minnesota . . . . .	239	18,542	1,386	476	84	226	517	190	6	1,007	.
Mississippi . . . . .	293	10,966	814	388	217	224	464	279	26	426	.
Missouri . . . . .	565	37,684	2,434	819	383	577	1,159	548	38	1,400	.
Montana . . . . .	49	3,780	308	102	34	46	92	84	2	227	.
Nebraska . . . . .	233	13,624	850	314	134	176	425	176	3	509	.
Nevada . . . . .	21	944	75	7	10	29	16	6	1	40	.
New Hampshire	79	9,584	445	.	12	209	72	70	1	104	.
New Jersey . . . . .	173	20,351	1,565	237	77	339	197	140	3	1,201	.
New Mexico . . . . .	21	1,231	93	52	11	16	40	20	1	98	.
New York . . . . .	757	118,185	9,945	1,196	1,162	1,872	1,120	1,969	22	6,820	.
North Carolina . . . . .	324	12,355	879	311	138	196	311	200	50	581	.
North Dakota . . . . .	67	4,397	469	91	19	41	131	31	1	315	.
Ohio . . . . .	500	55,065	4,444	753	919	790	763	851	21	3,691	.
Oklahoma . . . . .	92	4,148	527	356	18	48	258	50	8	957	.
Oregon . . . . .	101	6,405	434	187	47	90	125	76	8	370	.
Pennsylvania . . . . .	439	59,826	4,009	592	.	1,071	411	559	.	2,560	.
Rhode Island . . . . .	37	5,883	349	368	6	103	20	47	1	198	.
South Carolina . . . . .	191	6,926	515	343	.	25	209	130	.	394	.
South Dakota . . . . .	100	5,444	410	195	34	59	189	81	4	306	.
Tennessee . . . . .	424	17,895	1,019	443	141	349	626	378	34	125	.
Texas . . . . .	683	32,384	2,019	1,267	236	582	1,570	490	604	816	.
Utah . . . . .	10	1,083	86	45	15	10	28	5	3	101	.
Vermont . . . . .	103	10,983	567	117	26	179	76	88	1	309	.
Virginia . . . . .	268	14,563	724	354	218	247	420	174	9	461	.
Washington . . . . .	120	7,056	672	495	91	85	172	137	6	851	.
West Virginia . . . . .	124	8,712	800	157	60	103	143	70	15	689	.
Wisconsin . . . . .	253	19,713	1,271	413	131	263	478	156	5	918	.
Wyoming . . . . .	21	1,488	166	36	10	17	44	4	1	146	.
	12,176	951,655	70,847	20,675	7,468	14,801	19,428	12,222	595	47,605	.
British Columbia	36	2,473	207	68	4	6	64	21	.	188	.
Canada . . . . .	375	30,485	2,287	458	219	314	612	483	4	1,551	.
Manitoba . . . . .	79	3,811	295	188	30	22	68	149	1	325	.
New Brunswick . . . . .	36	2,064	152	14	14	36	47	23	.	74	.
Nova Scotia . . . . .	64	3,882	320	74	37	40	100	78	2	162	.
Prin. Edward Is.	14	607	43	8	3	12	5	5	.	32	.
Quebec . . . . .	57	4,199	326	42	26	51	109	123	.	180	.
	661	37,521	3,630	852	333	481	1,005	882	7	2,512	.
Total . . . . .	12,837	989,176	74,477	21,527	7,801	15,282	20,433	13,104	602	50,117	.

# STATISTICS.

## Comparison Table.

GRAND LODGE.	Numerical Standing.	SUBORDINATE LODGES.			Percentage of New Work.	Percentage of Net Gain.	Ratio of New Work.
		Maximum.	Minimum.	Average.			
Alabama . . . . .	22	248	7	34	.08.79	.05.90	12
Arizona . . . . .	49	143	19	60	.11.60	.09.00	4
Arkansas . . . . .	24	693	12	30	.07.16	.09.80	34
California . . . . .	11	592	11	95	.10.56	.06.03	8
Colorado . . . . .	28	774	30	85	.07.07	.04.42	35
Connecticut . . . . .	19	368	19	168	.05.12	.03.21	49
Delaware . . . . .	44	705	53	119	.08.77	.07.25	48
District of Columbia . . . . .	35	141	8	224	.08.22	.06.10	13
Florida . . . . .	40	175	11	34	.08.05	.08.77	21
Georgia . . . . .	15	853	16	49	.09.28	.05.62	24
Idaho . . . . .	45	441	13	50	.08.39	.06.29	11
Illinois . . . . .	2	133	11	91	.08.60	.07.00	19
Indiana . . . . .	8	426	15	72	.10.00	.04.33	17
Indian Territory . . . . .	39	356	10	40	.07.23	.05.27	9
Iowa . . . . .	9	757	9	66	.07.88	.07.92	32
Kansas . . . . .	13	193	13	65	.10.74	.09.61	27
Kentucky . . . . .	14	473	36	49	.13.09	.03.08	7
Louisiana . . . . .	32	318	15	47	.07.68	.05.36	2
Maine . . . . .	12	624	20	120	.05.55	.05.17	46
Maryland . . . . .	30	700	11	82	.06.73	.05.90	30
Massachusetts . . . . .	6	913	15	186	.07.90	.04.04	44
Michigan . . . . .	5	564	13	122	.07.72	.03.85	37
Minnesota . . . . .	18	219	15	78	.06.70	.06.41	26
Mississippi . . . . .	27	423	11	37	.07.72	.03.88	29
Missouri . . . . .	7	163	13	66	.08.29	.04.41	38
Montana . . . . .	43	356	24	77	.04.69	.01.09	15
Nebraska . . . . .	23	466	21	58	.08.17	.06.27	40
Nevada . . . . .	50	162	15	45	.08.11	.08.55	20
New Hampshire . . . . .	29	1068	18	121	.08.48	.06.12	50
New Jersey . . . . .	16	138	9	118	.07.46	.04.93	22
New Mexico . . . . .	47	412	20	59	.11.49	.07.71	23
New York . . . . .	1	664	24	156	.08.65	.07.18	18
North Carolina . . . . .	25	228	11	37	.16.01	.29.11	31
North Dakota . . . . .	41	240	14	65	.07.19	.06.13	5
Ohio . . . . .	4	559	21	110	.07.00	.04.46	16
Oklahoma . . . . .	42	554	38	45	.06.14	.03.48	1
Oregon . . . . .	36	141	8	62	.07.88	.06.03	33
Pennsylvania . . . . .	3	200	17	136	.07.98	.05.95	36
Rhode Island . . . . .	37	304	12	159	.05.73	.02.58	42
South Carolina . . . . .	34	48	48	36	.06.39	.02.89	28
South Dakota . . . . .	38	243	18	54	.08.76	.10.28	25
Tennessee . . . . .	20	325	27	42	.05.31	.02.89	43
Texas . . . . .	10	426	9	48	.05.23	.03.33	41
Utah . . . . .	48	383	10	108	.10.83	.13.70	14
Vermont . . . . .	26	293	12	106	.09.96	.08.58	45
Virginia . . . . .	21	393	13	53	.06.70	.04.88	47
Washington . . . . .	33	190	19	70	.12.37	.10.88	6
West Virginia . . . . .	31	212	18	78	.09.06	.08.23	10
Wisconsin . . . . .	17	387	9	73	.07.90	.05.36	39
Wyoming . . . . .	46	227	9	48	.08.32	.09.32	3
British Columbia . . . . .	...	149	14	57	.07.64	.03.72	...
Canada . . . . .	...	140	15	61	.08.60	.04.32	...
Manitoba . . . . .	...	101	13	40	.07.47	.05.56	...
New Brunswick . . . . .	...	175	22	73	.08.03	.04.93	...
Nova Scotia . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Prince Edward Island . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Quebec . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...



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